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# SOCCKER POOLS TIPS

by Jock Stephen

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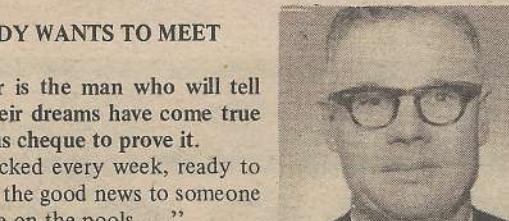
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Alf Cooper of Stoke just didn't believe the V-man when told that he had won 120,000



pounds. His checking had given him a minor dividend. Never having won anything before he had increased his stake in a last fling, and had not checked fully on his new stake.

A farmer in the Midlands threatened to put his bull on him — until he showed him the cheque!

Breaking the news gently is his speciality. He generally gets the kettle boiling by saying that he would like a nice cup of tea. By that time the size of the cheque does not create so much shock.

These stories, and many others, will be repeated over again each week when the pools top winners are announced.

## BITS AND PIECES

Bill Nicholson, former manager of the Spurs, did not hide his thoughts on presentday conditions in top grade Soccer in England.

His first statement on managing any of the leading clubs today is that it is more difficult to handle players because they are too highly paid. Some players perform like temperamental opera singers, and this encourages some of the violence from the terraces.

Naturally, some clubs have resented this statement, taking it as a slur on their particular club, but Bill very calmly states it is general in fact throughout.

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Further to my paragraph on Standing Entry coupons in last week's issue of "Soccer Week", an added advantage with the Australian Soccer Pools Standing Entry Coupons is that they CAN be used for weekly entries, should you not have the customary weekly coupon with fixture listed thereon.

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The writing was on the wall for Poland, as recounted in last week's "Soccer Week", for their match with East Germany.

Lato scored an early goal for Poland. However the East Germans gave their visitors a hot time to win 3 goals to 1. So

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# SOCCKER POOLS

men do, etc . . .  
Last Saturday's effort definitely marks Liverpool as the team to beat for the League Championship in 1974-75.

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Fulham were most unlucky in last Saturday's game with York. Down 0-2 at half-time, they still found that their sound play did not receive its just reward, with no change in the score at ninety minutes.

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Fiery Stan Bowles of QPR has been transfer listed, and could be wanted at Portsmouth. The former Manchester City and Carlisle player has had one game for England, but was not called again, possibly due to his temperament.

JOCK STEPHEN

## CHAOS AT WEMBLEY

The Wembley of 1923, that sunny day in April, was a scene never to be forgotten.

The Stadium did not have the complete roofing system erected then. Admission was gained by payment at the turnstiles. Advance booking was not thought necessary.

Before the time of kick-off, the entire playing surface was just a surging mass of humanity . . . at least 200,000 were in the Stadium built to hold less than half that number. Officials were overwhelmed . . . police were powerless . . . the King arrived, but there were no signs that the Final between Bolton Wanderers and West Ham would ever begin.

Spectators in the stands, who had given up hope, saw movement in mid-field. A space opened in the middle of the field, and attention focused on a policeman on a white horse. Slowly, the horse with loose reins, using his nose, his flanks and his rear, edged people away towards the touchlines and with the aid of foot police, cleared the pitch to enable the match to start about forty minutes late with spectators on the touch-lines.

The match was completed after several interruptions.

David Jack and Joe Smith scored for Bolton in a 2-0 victory, but honours for the day went to P. C. George Scorey and his white horse, Billy, who both received Royal recognition for their vital part in getting people off the arena in safety.

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Congratulations to the two Phil Blunts on their annual parade to the trophy table. Metropolitan players of several seasons ago will remember Phil senior in goal for Yallourn, and how we would all wish he played for our club.

I can well recall bringing Phil to Melbourne one weekend to play for England, in the local Laidlaw Cup competition, when Norm Hobson of George Cross had suffered a broken hand, and was declared unfit. The grand display on that day would have won him an Australian blazer.

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Phil Boersma's hat trick for Liverpool in the first half against the Spurs was a fine effort, but somehow most sports writers immediately turned their minds back to last year's Cup Final.

Boersma stormed out of Wembley, vowing never to play for the Reds again when he found that he was not in the team. He was naturally a very sad man at the time, but Shakespeare was close to the mark, when he said his famous quote . . . The evil that

**SOCCKER POOLS  
ARE COMING !**

## BOERSMA STARS FOR LIVERPOOL

Liverpool soccer star Phil Boersma netted a first-half hat-trick to boost his side to an emphatic 5-2 win over Tottenham Hotspur and keep them at the top of the English football First Division on Saturday.

Boersma spent much of last season on the substitute's bench but walked out on the club when he was not named 12th man for the F.A. Cup final.

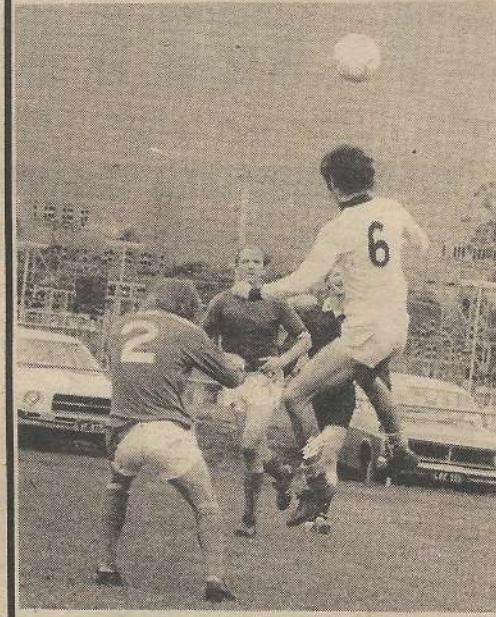
He followed up the signing of a new contract

by banging in two goals at Chelsea the previous weekend, and the latest feat of marksmanship makes him one of the league's top scorers.

Liverpool's other goals were scored by Emlyn Hughes and Ray Kennedy, while Steve Perryman and Martin Chivers replied for Tottenham.

# ACTION SHOTS

Third Division Reserves Bayswater v Brighton



Peter Mercoula (6) of Brighton, rises between Bayswater defenders Tony Brady (2) and Stan Wardle, to head the ball to a team mate in the reserves game at Croydon.



A sliding tackle by Tony Brady robs Brighton's Peter Mercoula of the ball. Bayswater's Stan Wardle closely watches the action.

## ENGLISH DIVISION ONE:

Arsenal 0 Burnley 1; Carlisle United 0 Stoke City 2; Coventry City 2 Manchester City 2; Derby County 2 Newcastle United 2; Ipswich Town 1; Everton 0; Leeds United 1 Luton 1; Liverpool 5 Tottenham Hotspur 2; Middlesbrough 1 Chelsea 1; Queens Park Rangers 0 Birmingham City 1; West Ham United 1 Sheffield 2; Wolverhampton Wanderers 1 Leicester City 1.

## ENGLISH DIVISION FOUR:

Chester 2 Brentford 0; Crewe Alexandra 2 Hartlepool 0; Exeter City 0 Mansfield Town 1; Newport County 2 Shrewsbury Town 4; Rochdale 3 Barnsley 1; Rotherham United 2 Lincoln City 2; Scunthorpe United 0 Reading 1; Swansea City 3 Doncaster Rovers 3.

## SCOTTISH DIVISION ONE:

Clyde 2 Celtic 4; Dundee 0 Aberdeen 1; Dunfermline Athletic 3 Arbroath 1; Hibernian 2 Hearts 1; Kilmarnock 3 Ayr United 0; Morton 1 Dumbarton 1; Motherwell 1 Airdrieonians 3; Rangers 3 Partick Thistle 2; St. Johnstone 2 Dundee United 0.

## SCOTTISH DIVISION TWO:

Albion Rovers 1 Hamilton Academicals 2; Brechin City 1 Montrose 2; Clydebank 3 Meadowbank 0; East Stirlingshire 0 Berwick Rangers 2; Forfar Atheltics 1 Cowdenbeath 1; Queens Park 0 St Mirren 0; Raith Rovers 0 East Fife 2; Stirling Albion 0 Falkirk 2; Stenhousemuir 0 Alloa 0; Stranraer 2 Queen of the South 1.

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# PERSONALITY-

"Jock" Stephen, Mr Park Rangers

"Jock" Stephen is well known in Victorian soccer circles for two things. His association with Park Rangers Soccer Club and Vernons Soccer Pools.

This quietly spoken, rather shy gentleman has a long and meritorious history in the annals of Victorian soccer, both as player and administrator.

Wherever Park Rangers are playing, Jock is more than likely to be found, cheering his boys along, rejoicing in victory, commiserating in defeat.

A man with an encyclopedic knowledge of the game, both here and in the UK, his pools forecasts are well known for their high percentage of correct results and his advice is eagerly sought and readily given.

## CANNY SCOT

Born in Edinburgh before the first world war started, John Hill Stephen was the youngest of three children. The eldest, brother Robert, died three years ago, but sister Janet is due to arrive in Melbourne in three weeks time, to stay twelve months with Jock and his wife.

Jock was born within a stones throw of Tynecastle Park, home of the famous Scottish First Division club, Heart of Midlothian.

"Hearts", as they are popularly known, visited Australia in 1959. Jock's wife was convalescing after a big operation and Jock took her to Sydney for a holiday.

Canny Scot that he is, choice of holiday was probably influenced by the fact that Hearts were playing there at the time.

The New South Wales Federation had been formed as a breakaway from the old Association and was not then accepted by FIFA, so the visitors played a combined Association side and won 5-1.

## RUGBY UNION AT SCHOOL

As a boy Jock attended George Heriot's School in Edinburgh, and soccer was not played there. The boys were brought up to play Rugby Union and the school regularly produced lads who made the Scottish National Rugby side.

Jock laughingly recalls going to watch a former pupils' match against the school side and being stopped at the gate by a master. Jock had a soccer ball under his arm and the master said Jock could go in, but the soccer ball couldn't.

## EMIGRATED TO AUSTRALIA

On leaving school, Jock worked as a butcher for a short time and played local soccer, but soon decided to seek his fortune in a distant land.

He recalls emigrating aboard the s.s. Benalla and arriving in Melbourne in August 1924. He went north and spent his first couple of years farming near Echuca.

He followed this with three years in Melbourne, working for the Shell Oil company and started playing soccer with Melbourne Thistle.

He recalls that their home ground was one of five pitches side by side, between Middle Park station and the present soccer stadium.

It may cause some surprise, and perhaps

played in three successive Dockerty Cup finals. Beaten in the 1947 final, they won the cup in 1948 and 1949.

Jock recalls that on their playing staff were Jackie Wilson, who played for Victoria and Australia and another Victorian representative, Jock Mackie, son of the club's founder.

During this golden era, the Reserves team won the Junior Cup, six years in a row and were beaten by Brighton in the seventh final.

## PLAYED FOOTY

When Jock was up at Echuca there was no soccer played in the area, so, believe it or not, Jock played FOOTY.

He only had one season because "I wasn't big enough, or good enough," he admitted.

When with Park Rangers, Jock was influenced by famous Park Rangers goal scorer during their golden years, Paddy Mulcahy, to have a go at Gaelic Football, and Jock says that was even worse. He didn't stay the course for very long.

In those early days, there was a reserves team knockout competition, which became the Harry Armstrong cup competition we know today. In the records there is no mention of the fact that Melbourne Thistle won this cup in 1928 and Jock played in every round except the final.

A unique feature of that year was Jock's scoring of seven goals, direct from corner kicks. Jock was a left winger. A natural right footer, he concentrated on developing his left foot to the point where he could use either with equal effect.

Two of those goals were scored in the second replay of the semi-final, played against Sunshine United on the same area which now constitutes Sunshine's City's home ground.

During this time, Jock had a few games with Spotswood in Second Division and also with Williamstown in the First Division.

## BACK TO FARMING

In 1930, Jock went back to farming. He loved the outdoor life. This time he went down Gippsland and worked near Lakes Entrance for the next eight years. In 1938 he moved to Longerenong Agricultural College, near Horsham and worked there until he joined the army in 1942.

This was the year he married a Queensland girl, Veronica, who came down to Victoria from Longreach.

He saw service in Victoria and North Queensland before demob in 1946.

## BIRTH OF PARK RANGERS

Alex Mackie was the founder of Park Rangers. Originally the team was a junior side for South Melbourne United, a First Division club, but during the war, senior Soccer was defunct and the juniors played together and wanted to stay together as they became seniors, so broke away, to become the independent Park Rangers Soccer Club.

The club was an immediate success. Put into the First Division when senior Soccer was resumed in 1946, they

## SECRETARY AND PRESIDENT

Jock was the first secretary of Park Rangers and held office from 1946 to 1958, when he was elected president, a post he held until 1971. He relinquished the presidency because he believed that the time had come for an infusion of new blood into the administration side of the club. He is still a regular and faithful supporter.

It is true to say that Jock Stephen has lived for Park Rangers, at least in his sporting life.

An odd recollection of Jock's concerned the only Reserves team player ever to play for Victoria.

He was J. B. Barnes, a regular with Melbourne Thistle seconds.

Although a brilliant Soccer player, he refused to play for the first team and played all his time in Victoria with the Reserves side ... except when he was playing for the State.

The State selector of that era was a man whom a number of our older sportsmen will remember, the late J. O. Wilshaw who reported Soccer for the Sporting Globe.

## LAST GAME

In 1954, Jock played his last game for Park Rangers, when they were a man short for a game against Prahran. Jock was happy to go out on a winning note, for he helped Rangers to a 5-2 victory. He recalls that the referee for that game was Stan Lucas, who is still refereeing. It was Stan's first game in Australia.

In 1956, Jock was honoured with Life Membership of the club which he had served so faithfully for ten years and continued to do so for many more years.

## DOCKERTY CUP

When asked for comments on Soccer in Australia, Jock said that he was satisfied that it was going ahead, but not as fast as it should be.

He would like to see more positive and dynamic action by top administration.

He was adamant that the Dockerty Cup should include the premier division after the First Round.

"The present system is purely money saving exercise for State League clubs and is loaded against all other clubs," he said. "There should be a round played every third Saturday during the season", he went on, "players injured or suspended often miss the next one or two rounds and the end of season is a congestion of cup games, with the same old teams playing one another,




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Bobby joined them with nine games left. They lost the first to Coburg, drew the next with Eltham, and won the last seven games straight.

Bobby, in typical modest fashion, refused to accept all the credit. He says that those nine weeks at Brighton have been a revelation and nine of the most enjoyable he has had in his Soccer career.

He was greatly impressed with the way coach Joe McLean so readily accepted him and co-operated in the team's interest.

He regards secretary Alan Knight as one of the best in the business and was amazed at the energy and dedication of team manager Les Shorrock.

The enthusiasm and dedication of president Alec Martin and every other official and player

in the club had to be experienced to be believed. Club committee, players, ladies social committee and supporters were united in one object, promotion.

After the game, Bayswater, in typical sporting manner, sent in two magnums of champagne and took the visitors to the Dorset Gardens for an evening's celebration, in spite of having been robbed of the championship by them.

This sporting spirit has been much to the fore in Metropolitan circles this year and I say again, this competition provides the finest winter sporting entertainment in Victoria.

Congratulations to Brighton, as champions, to Bayswater for gaining promotion and to Essendon City, mixed with genuine sympathy, for making Division Three such an electrifying competition in 1974.

### MOOROOLBARK RESULTS W/E 8-9-74

UNDER 8 lost 2-1 against Croydon. Scorer, David Miller. In a game with the play going end to end Mooroolbark were not disgraced in going down to one of the top sides in their league.

Under 9 won 1-0 against Doncaster. Scorer, Mark Edmonds. In a fast and even game, the better teamwork of the Barkers eventually decided this match.

Under 10 won 3-0 against Box Hill. Scorers, R. Steffanuti 2, G. Bakker. Mooroolbark held onto third place in their league with this good win. After being held 0-0 in the first half the Barkers combined well in the second half to run out good winners.

Under 11 lost 6-0 against Box Hill. The Under 11's found out this week how Mitcham felt last week when Box Hill scored six without reply from the Barkers.

Under 12 lost 3-0 against Mitcham on Saturday in a postponed game. Conceding three early goals, the Under 12's played well after this. On Sunday they ran up against a good side in Ringwood United and crashed 6-1. M. Newton penalty scored.

Under 13's won 2-0 against Croydon. Scorers, D. Killen, G. Van Leuven den. Making hard work against one of the bottom sides the Under 13's put in a grandstand finish to score twice in the last ten minutes to stay in the running for second place.

Under 14's won 2-0 against Greensborough.

Scorers, G. Ireson, own goal. Playing better than they have done in the last two weeks the Under 14's really outclassed Greensborough and put the Barkers in good stead for their clash with the top side next week.

Under 16's won 6-1 against Prahran-Slavia. Scores, A. Crampton 2, M. Barton 2, I. Johnston 1, R. Derkson 1. It was the Barkers' best win of the season, the play was fast and only the clean fast play of the Slavia defence prevented more goals for Mooroolbark.

## METROPOLITAN'S MATCH OF THE SEASON

Bayswater 0 Brighton 1.

Teams:

Bayswater: Z Mnich, M. Van De Laak, D. Shackson, R. Gerrish, D. Broome, G. Gerrish, M. Weston, L. Davis, A. Jackson, C. Waller and G. Feder.

Brighton: R. Russell, M. Benton, G. Wheat, G. McGregor, I. McColl, R. McLachlan, W. Guthrie, M. McCaig, W. Lewis, N. Starczewski and J. Irvine.

Referee: Mr J. Readshaw.

The very last Metropolitan Third Division game was probably the most important of the whole season. At least, it was for three clubs. Essendon City were sweating on a Bayswater victory, anything else would prevent them achieving promotion.

The game was played on the No. 2 Croydon pitch, due to the unsatisfactory condition of Bayswater's home ground.

From the starting whistle, the game was fought out at top pace, with quarter neither asked for nor given.

Tackling was fierce but fair. Throughout the match there was no vicious or dirty play and all twenty two players deserve the highest credit for a brilliant, sporting display.

Both clubs were high in their praise of referee Readshaw's control and a large crowd had a great afternoon's entertainment.

Strong defences cut scoring efforts to a minimum, but the mid-field tactical battle was an absorbing affair.

A heavy and holding pitch helped defences and tended to slow down attacking moves, but after 15 minutes, Brighton got a fright.

A well executed move

caught Brighton's de-

fence flat footed and a flashing header from Alan Jackson clipped the cross-bar and was eventually cleared. Bayswater were playing with the wind and applied plenty of pressure in the first half, but Brighton's back line held firm and Bob Russell was a most competent keeper.

He dealt effectively with two great efforts by Colin Waller.

Mercurial Johnny Irvine had two scintillating runs down the wing but found Martin Van De Laak prepared to give nothing away. The full-back had a great game and played Irvine as effectively as any defender this year.

As the game progressed, it became evident that there was little to choose between the sides and at no time did either get on top.

With a quarter of an hour to go, a draw seemed inevitable and both sides seemed to be satisfied that they would break even.

Suddenly, up popped Irvine, to side step a defender and in the same movement, ripped the ball into the top of the net, giving Mnich no earthly chance of saving.

The place erupted. Brighton officials who had nearly chewed fingers down to the first knuckle, exploded into hysterical cheering.

They suddenly realised that their team which had not held top spot on the ladder all season, could end up champions.

But it wasn't all over. In the very last minute, coach Joe McLean, manager Les Shorrock and secretary Alan Knight blanched as another great effort by Jackson slid across goal and hit the foot of the far post.

The final whistle duly came and Brighton were victors AND League champions in their jubilee year.

Players and club officials alike, paid tribute to the tremendous influence on the team, of Bobby

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British born Tom Higgins had just been demobilised from wartime service with the Australian Navy, and six sport starved years of the second world war had ended, in common with other ex-servicemen of those early postwar years Tom decided that the suburbs needed a new soccer club, and so from this modest start was born Western Suburbs - forerunner of today's Sunshine City club.

Tom Higgins with Ron White (still with the club) and other intrepid soccer pioneers spent many happy hours that first hot postwar summer digging out the concrete searchlight base to make the ground usable for that first season at Sunshine Park. Tom Higgins ably assisted by Ron White co-founder of the club commenced what was to become a sixteen year uninterrupted run as secretary of the club.

Tom was a champion athlete and former captain of the Victorian soccer team in matches against China in 1941, and a Palestine touring side in 1939 retired from the club in 1962 and resides in retirement at Ocean Grove where he still follows the club fortunes in the press.

When Sunshine became a city in 1950 the club changed its name to that of Sunshine City soccer club to identify better with the area.

Those early days were a struggle for the club, and members frequently dipped into their pockets to keep it afloat, 1951 saw Sunshine City relegated to the second Division (equivalent of todays first division).

In 1952 after a humiliating 10-2 defeat by Moreland they managed to survive the season intact.

### TRADITION

1953 saw the beginning of the great junior tradition at Sunshine City, the seniors ended the season eighth in the league, but the juniors with such stalwarts as present day clubman Micky Hope and today's chairman Stewart Johnson managed to win the Liston Cup, the Dunking Shield for schoolboys, runners-up in the U/17's won the U/15's champ onship, and runners-up in the U/14's.

The 50's saw the club maintain their status in the League, never winning it but usually in the top half of the table, during this period the club was consolidated and built into a solid soccer club.

The sixties continued in the same vein until the low spot in the clubs history in 1965 when after winning only 5 games they ended bottom of the ladder and suffered the indignity of relegation to the second division.

1966 season was a triumph for the club when after winning 18 games, no draws, and only four defeats they took out the flag by five clear points, so it was first division soccer for Sunshine City once again.

In 1972 the club finished the season in a great winning sequence and the league title was decided in the very last game of the season, in a stirring game in which Sunshine City played 80 minutes with 10 men Prahran Slavia clinched the first Division flag, and Sunshine became runners-up in the League, a valiant effort against a team reputed to be

on a \$100 per man for a win. 1973 season started on a winning note with Sunshine City leading all the way into the final rounds of the League only to be pipped at the post once again by Moorabbin United, runners-up once again.

During this period the side was coached by former Melbourne star, Jimmy McIntyre, Soccer Identity and Manager of the Club at this time was Les Shorrock who resigned at the end of the season and joined Brighton.

### COMMITTEE

At the 1973 annual meeting several new committee members were recruited to reinforce the organisational side of the club amongst them were former Melbourne soccer player and local accountant Mr Tony Buxton as treasurer and Matt Patterson as publicity officer, local police sergeant Doug Hilton continued to do a great job as club secretary a vital position in the club set-up.

Local sportsman and long serving member Ron Booth was appointed team manager, dynamic chairman and local identity Mr Stewart Johnson was appointed to office. Scott Frew returned from holiday in the UK and was appointed deputy chairman where he continues to perform sterling work on behalf of the club.

Bill McCullough continued as president and figurehead of the club, and his interpretation of the committee rules and club constitution have delighted all lucky enough to be present at the meetings. Sammy Wilson has played his usual active role in club affairs and hardworking Sam Boslem and his wife Priscilla continue to do their stint.

At this time the club was lucky to secure the services of Ian Petherick as team coach. This dedicated Australian has been an inspiration to all who come in contact with him, after a spell with State League Po-

lonia last year which he was instrumental in saving from relegation he now heads up the coaching task at Sunshine City.

1974 saw Ian Petherick put the players through some pretty gruelling pre-season training, a feature being Sunday morning runs on Flemington racecourse, no Melbourne Cup horse worked harder.

None of the 1973 seasons players were lost to the club, and we entered the 1974 championship race with our staff intact. Goalkeeper Bill Johnson in his ninth season with Sunshine City once again has proved his value as Victorias best keeper. Irish-born Herb Seenan is prominent with his rock-like defensive work, his brother and ex Irish League player with Crusaders Albert Seenan has had a great season, these two brothers have an incredible 24 years combined service with the club, 23 year old Steve "Butch" Kokoska who began his career with the U/12's has had a tremendous year and must be considered for the Victorian squad, his tight defensive covering, teamwork and heading ability are superb.

Former English schoolboy player, Mike Dixey has carved a place out in the City defence and has impressed everyone with his tackling and constructive back four play.

Full back Chris Petrov improves with every game and his defence splitting attacking forays down the wing have drawn much comment throughout the 1st Division this year.

Frankie Mussels midfielder is fulfilling predictions made in earlier seasons, and his non stop foraging and attacking soccer has been a driving force in this years success story.

English born and ex-Chrystal Palace amateur Bobby Pocock with more than 250 games under his belt for Sunshine City has been the brains and midfield "engine" in this years great

Sunshine side, his strong tackling and ball distribution cannot be praised enough.

Wilf Laing Scots born winger has excited supporters with his brilliant touchline runs, and spelt danger to all opposition this season.

### ALIGHT

What can one say about the mercurial Jimmy McRobert, this ex-Glasgow Rangers youth player and later professional with Scottish second division Hamilton Academicals is a player to set any game alight, with his blonde hair and zapata moustache flying in the wind his dynamic and defence bursting dashes have shattered many renowned defences this year, undoubtedly the most dangerous forward in football.

Kazi Pietrowski after a European holiday last year has improved out of sight, this tall striker has troubled defences with his goal hunger in every game. Sunshine early season big signing from Western Suburbs George Makousis has fitted into the City outfit like a glove, and his ball artistry and educated passing is a sight for the soccer purist.

Tony Wolczek signed from Green Gully this year, and his weight and power have proved invaluable on the heavier grounds.

Another recent signing from State league Box Hill Jimmy Paul is playing himself into form after a long lay off, his astute and intelligent play will be an asset to the club, he was joined by his Box Hill teammate Gentleman Bill Murray currently setting reserve games alight with his goal scoring feats.

Reserve goalkeeper and capable stand-in for Bill Johnson Johnny Scholton has once again proved what a great clubman he is.

### CONTENDERS

The reserve team managed by Mick Reeves has made all the running in the League and look a strong contender to take out the flag this year, big Terry Walker has been a tower of strength in the middle, Capt. and defender Alex Alexsic has inspired everyone, the redoubtable Banagan brothers with big brother Micky playing his way back into the seniors and Terry and Peter going great guns have all had a terrific season.

Scot Brian Craig and Allan Harraden with ex Altona City player Tom Moffat, Gus Norris, Frank Broadly, John Palma, have all performed with verve and dedication. In keeping with our new club title Sunshine City Sports Club we are going to provide Western Suburbs with the best soccer in Victoria, and later broaden in the clubs activities to include other sports, little athletics, table tennis, etc.

### COUNCIL HELP

With a first class administrative structure, and more help from Sunshine Council which in the past has been tardy with assistance, we hope to build Sunshine City Sports Club into a club anyone would be proud to belong to.

One hears talk of providing todays youth with sporting and social activities but the means are right there on your doorstep, and in the event of Sunshine City achieving



• THE present 1974 Senior Squad, back row, left to right: Tony Wolczek, Steve Kokoska, Bill Johnson, John Scholton, Frank Mussels, Chris Petrov, centre row, left to right: Terry Walker, Kazi Pietrowski, Albert Seenan, Herb Seenan, Wilf Laing, Coach, Ian Petherick, Front Row, left to right: Mike Dixey, Micky Banagan, Bob Pocock, Jimmy McRoberts, Bill Murray and George Makousis.

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# ON THE BAG WITH LEN STONE

Len Stone reports from England

Well, if there were a medal for the most improved programme in English League, then surely Reading or Fulham must be amongst the favourites to win it.

In the old days I remember they were just about the worst — in my humble opinion.

Club programmes is big business now for the league clubs — the wealthy ones do not need advertising, the less wealthy ones have a lot of advertising in them and find it a good revenue spinner.

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Amongst the most loyal supporters I have come across are those of Manchester United, Liverpool, Sunderland and Aston Villa.

Especially when they play away, this is most noticeable. Sunderland's are particularly good ones when you take into account how far they have to travel.

Arsenal and West Ham appear to be the best away followed London teams — certainly not Spurs nor Chelsea.

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Arsenal's famous North Bank is not as

loud as a few years ago and now they tend to copy what fans on other grounds are singing — though the chant of SUPER REDS does originate at Highbury.

A lot of grounds would be much more quiet if they took away the "Kopyright" of the famous Liverpool Kop, a sight that has to be seen and a sound that has to be heard.

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However the soccer scene is changing as far as the crowds are concerned. Gone is much of the natural roar — like the famous Hampton roar — instead you have chants — not always printable — far too many choir-boys — all rather painfully out of tune — and before matches, loudspeakers scratch out the same old tunes over and over again.

## BACKING

We expect the council to back us in this elevating and worthy enterprise, and to keep the club in the forefront of the soccer world, we look forward to the day when thousands of spectators will make their way to Sunshine to watch the City play at Garden Reserve on a Saturday or Sunday afternoon not a pipe dream but rapidly becoming a distinct possibility, with everyone at the club working hard towards this aim.

The club considers that it is contributing in this field by providing sport and entertainment every Saturday afternoon to the people of the Western Suburbs, not to mention the publicity the club gains for the suburb by bearing its name.

Now is the time for Sunshine Council to prove with action and not words just how progressive a body they really are and Sunshine will co-operate with the fullest enthusiasm to make this sporting club a credit to the district.

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It's refreshing to see a live band, that of the Metropolitan Police at Highbury, but often they are drowned out by the noise of the sets of rival supporters.

I heard the 'Dam Busters March' played on nearly every soccer ground I have visited so far.

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The headlines said that Adrian Alston has achieved his goal. He played his first full game for Luton against Q.P.R. before a crowd of 18,800. The game ended in a 1-1 draw.

This was his first taste of Division One soccer and he was involved in a flare-up which resulted in Rangers Stan Bowles being booked.

Alston said he is convinced that his world wide travels have at last brought him to the top of soccer.

The Socceroo who also drew the attention of German crack side Hertha Berlin said: "I played in the world cup, I played 41 times for Australia but today is the only day I ever looked forward to."

"I have played all over the world and I went to Australia as a skinny 18 year old from Preston. I was 5 ft 8 inches tall now I stand 6 ft and rearing to go."

Alston looked sharp and fit enough when he replaced former Manchester Utd winger Aston who was seen in Australia, for the second half in a mid-week game against West Ham.

His outing caused many comments in the press but clearly his challenge lies in integrating with a forward line which just hasn't shown any bite so far.

Adrian Alston showed plenty of speed and cer-

tainly showed up better than West, Luton's expensive \$200,000 close season signing from Burnley.

Alan West said after the game — "it's good to have such a non stop trier as Adrian in our side. He certainly prompted Luton's opening burst."

The home crowd was solidly behind the former Socceroo and cheered every time he stroked the ball.

It took a penalty for Q.P.R. to equalise in a game which only reached average First Division standard.

Luton must strengthen their scoring department, though they hope that Adrian Alston will settle down to play his part in an enthusiastic more than skilled side.

Chelsea fans must have nightmares about former Arsenal star Ray Kennedy. The burly spearhead made a habit of scoring against Chelsea when he was with the Gunners.

Last week on his debut for Liverpool, big Ray Kennedy made it nine goals in four seasons against Chelsea when he pounced up to score after 21 minutes.

The match ended in a 3-0 away win for Liverpool before a 40,000 London crowd.

Police stopped spectators entering Stamford Bridge stadium in a search for weapons.

Everyone carrying a bag was stopped. Police said it was just a precautionary measure.

Chelsea made an appeal for a trouble free afternoon over the loudspeaker. They got just that.

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I saw my old club Fulham go down 2-0 in a local Derby at Millwall

and the crowd was ex-

tremely well behaved.

Fulham included two former England captains in Alan Mullery and Bobby Moore, two of the most famous English internationals of later years.

Both looked like a Bishop in a public bar at Collingwood and the tough tackling of the Second Division was not to their liking.

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Ispwich's brief reign at the top of the First Division came to a halt when they crashed 3-1 at Sheffield Wednesday.

The three they let in

were the first they conceded this season and two of them were scored by \$189,000 new boy Tony Field, a gamble buy from Third Division club Blackburn Rovers.

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Spurs won their first game of the season beating Derby 2-0 before only 21,000 spectators.

Cloughie's been at it again.

Now he says he does not want his Leeds players to be judged by television.

"I'm not having Leeds put on trial by TV," he says forcibly.

Coming from the man who himself has tried other stars through the medium that has just got to be a joke.

Brian Clough is the man who called goalkeeper Jan Tomaszewski a clown when Poland killed England's World Cup hopes at Wembley last October.

The man who seems to have an inbuilt magnetism — that attracts controversy.

The man who himself has used TV for attacks — thereby putting others on trial.

This time he knows his chairman Manny

Cussins has said Leeds cannot afford to lose income from TV coverage of their games.

Cussins is away on holiday and in any case the Board are not due to meet for a fortnight.

They might give him their full support.

What they SHOULD do is give Clough a rocket, tell him to take a considered look at his egocentric ways — and mend them that's England's opinion.

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Soccer faces its first major test under the new disciplinary code.

Every player in the League will run out with a clear warning from the Football Association ringing in his ears: Behave — or you will suffer.

For too long players have been bringing the game into disrepute, spoiling it for the vast majority of true fans... and getting away with it.

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Billy Bremner and

Kevin Keegan, out of football for 11 games each, and probably upwards of \$2,000 poorer for their brawling and shirt-throwing, are testimony to just how stern that action will be.

Sly off-the-ball tactics, punch-ups that officials have either not seen or choose to ignore, gestures to the crowd, the opposition and even the officials, the play-acting, shamming injury, blatant dissent which at best is stupidly ignorant and at times deliberately insulting.

Now Spurs Nick must name the guilty!

Bill Nicholson has left the Football Association and the Football League with no alternative.

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# INDUSTRIAL LEAGUE CHATTER

By FRED HABBE

## FALCON DREAM COME TRUE

A HOT-RUNNING Mladen Mutic cannoned the Third Division side Ford Falcons to a sensational victory over high favourites Ericsson at Sunday's Adidas Cup final at Middle Park soccer stadium.

Mutic's goals put Ford into a winning 2-0 lead at half-time, too much for the desperately trying Ericsson side to make up, and the Blue-Yellows were beaten three goals to one when referee Bernie Finnegan blew the final whistle.

A magnificent scene at the stadium was set when both teams were introduced to the approximately 500-strong crowd by GTV-9 soccer commentator Tony Charlton.

Soon after the kick-off Ericsson took command of the game and in the first 15 minutes appeared to be heading for victory. But occasional counter-attacks, spearheaded by star striker Mladen Mutic, posed some problems for the Ericsson defence and it was one of those thrusts that suddenly put the underdogs into the lead.

## WHO STOPS MUTIC?

Mutic, picking up a pass thirty metres out from goal took a chance and blasted the round leather towards the Ericsson goal. The strongly kicked but floating ball caught Ericsson keeper Szascuri by surprise and found the net just under the cross-bar.

The early goal seemed to inspire the Falcons who now showed even more determination and will to win while Ericsson seemed deflated. The initial drive was lost and Ericsson had to stave off a series of Falcon attacks.

Ford had several chances to increase their lead but narrowly missed. On the other side, Ericsson's best player, Brana Basic, let loose a fantastic shot that seemed to go right into the triangle but it only hit

Time began to run out on the Blue-Yellows. They threw everything they had into attack and came close a few times. Some free kicks given away by Ford in panic created a few anxious moments for the Falcons but they managed to survive.

## FALCONS HANG ON

The champs struggled through an awful lot of games in the first half of the season. But they overcame this lean period with relatively little damage, barring the disastrous Adidas Cup

tation night on the 3rd October at "Riverside Inn".

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TWO MEMBERS of the successful Victorian Under 16 Team Duncan Cumming and Alec Marshall were playing against each other last Saturday in the State League game Hakoah-Melbourne. For Alec it was a big promotion to advance from the under 16 direct to the State League, but unfortunately he could not produce his real skill and great talent playing against top Victorian centre half Alister Scott. But Marshall made it up next day playing with Hakoah under 16 against JUST. He scored 3 out of five goals for his club which won the game 5-0.

Other goalscorers for Hakoah were: Zagi and Quinones.

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ADRIAN ALSTON made a very successive debut for the 1st Division LUTON TOWN and press reports for our "SOCEROO" were first class. One of the leading soccer writers describes Alston as a very fast moving player who knows what to do with

ONE OF the following players will win this year's Bill Flemings medal: Brian Edgley (Moorabbin), Jim Armstrong (Hellas), Paul Murphy, (G. Cross), Pat Bannon (Fitzroy United), Steve Walker and Peter Biurne (Hellas). The winner will be announced at a dinner on the 3rd of October organized by the Soccer Press Association, which will also provide an award for the most promising young state league player in the season 1974.

An "All Stars" Victorian team will also be announced at the present-

George Bundy, the Ericsson half-back, received the yellow card by referee Finnegan as his temperament shot over in the excitement.

In a last minute break-away the Falcons sealed the game. Joe Procuce capitalized on confusion in Ericsson's defence and hammered the ball past Szascuri to make it 3-1.

Jubilant players and spectators soon after filled the pitch when referee Finnegan signalled the end of the game.

The presentation of the Cup to the winning Falcons marked the incredible success of the Falcons who, in only their first year in the competition, and what is more astonishing, as a Third Division side, climbed right to the top to pull off what was not believed possible.

The achievement of the Falcons proves once again not only the unpredictability of the round ball game and a cup competition in particular, but it also highlights what can be achieved with sheer dedication and determination. CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FALCONS FOR THIS GREAT ACHIEVEMENT.

## McCOLL - CHAMPIONS THE 2nd TIME RUNNING

The 1974 Industrial League Champions are, again, McColl Soccer Club.

McColl, who won both the title and the Adidas Cup last year, snook off any challenge thrown at them and achieved the rare feat of two titles in a row.

Our congratulations for this magnificent effort indeed.

The Springvale side started off the season shakily. The very first game against Bosch was narrowly lost, and general opinion was that McColl would have problems to successfully defend their title. Follow-on results — although wins, all but convincing — seemed to emphasize the first opinion.

The champs struggled through an awful lot of games in the first half of the season. But they overcame this lean period with relatively little damage, barring the disastrous Adidas Cup

quarter final clash against Second Division side VRI.

As is well known the cup defenders were knocked out by the Sleepers.

## TEAM PROBLEMS

The team, although starring many well known players, failed to harmonise.

Bobby Anderson, who had earlier transferred from Kodak, played great games but somehow failed to integrate into the team, causing personality clashes with outstanding sweeper, Paul Corke.

Anderson, after being sent off mid-way in the season, gave it away and suddenly there was harmony in the side. Ironically McColl lost also their return match against Bosch, but that was as far as it went. The team thereafter went from strength to strength and proved to be a worthy champion indeed.

The acquisition of the two Ristic brothers, Alec and Michael, both from South Melbourne Hellas, paid dividends. Especially Michael, who soon became known as an uncanny goal-getter, establishing the rare feat of four successive hat-tricks.

Jimmy Daperis, the 1973 Tarax Player of the Year, had a less glamorous season, especially in the beginning. Jimmy settled down though and lately seems to regain his form that brought him top honours last year.

The player, however, McColl most depended on was Paul Corke. Paul, who should be well remembered for his magnificent games he played during the two Adidas Cup Finals last year against Kodak, has been the backbone of the Springvale side in every game he's played.

## PAUL CORKE, A SOCCER FANATIC

Paul, who plays Saturday games for First Division side Box Hill, where he also is frequently named as the best player on the ground, is a soccer fanatic. He lives for the game, and whenever on the ground gives his absolute best.

Paul is a fantastic teammate and a very good club man. At 22, Paul has still an aspiring soccer career ahead of himself.

There is little that gets past Paul on the field. Opposition forwards will be able to confirm this. Time and again they are being frustrated by the brilliant intercepting and anticipation of this talented young player.

Another player one can't bypass when talking about McColl is their whirlwind right winger, John Louli, who will be 22 in November. John, without doubt, is the top winger in the Industrial League.

Secretary Alex Skaraiev, who earlier in the season surrendered the No. 1 goalkeeper position to Derek Harnwell giving himself the opportunity to concentrate on managing the team and attend to organisational matters, has big plans for the future.

His immediate aim is to enter the champion side into next year's Dockerty Cup competition.

Skaraiev also is looking into the possibility of setting up a Reserve team which he hopes to enter into a Reserves competition that might be established by the MISL next season.

Indeed, well done McColl, and again congratulations.

## SHORT STAY FOR PHILIP MORRIS

The 2-all draw between Kodak United and Bowater-Scott last Sunday ended all hopes for Philip Morris to retain their First Division status only gained last year.

The one point was enough for the Scotties to once again escape the relegation fate as they did so often before. For Philip Morris it is back to Second Division from where the side was only promoted a year ago.

In the remaining games only two important positions are yet to be decided. The First Division runners-up honours are still within reach of three clubs, but AWA-Thorn seems to have the hold on it.

In Second Division both top teams, Standard and Ericsson, have al-

ready secured promotion but who of the two will take off the title is yet to be decided.

ACI-Box Hill and HMAS Cerberus will be

relegated to Third Division, Cartro as Third Division champions and Ford Falcons as runners-up will move up to Second Division.

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Sir,

I was reading the column of Mr. C. A. Hubbard, Doveton Ladies manager, and the week before I read Fred Habbe's report on "Riots at Doveton" — now put the two reports together and who is telling the facts? Fred Habbe is telling the facts.

A few weeks ago I went to Doveton to pick up my boys who play for the U-16s (this is our first year there); I just happened to meet Bernie Finnigan, who asked me would I mind running the line. I said "Yes".

The game got started and there was a large crowd standing right on the touchline, and some of them had cans of beer.

Now I saw this happen with my own eyes, as the opposing runs past close to the touchline, they give the beer can a flick and beer goes on to the player's face and he lost control of the ball.

Sir, to me that is not SPORTSMANSHIP.

Yours truly,

D. GARDNER,  
Hampton Park

was that not all the games shown on TV were worthy of the honour, therefore this did little if any good to soccer. Also the grounds left a lot to be desired, as in Victoria we really only have two grounds worthy of top soccer.

So, how about next year the VSF and GTV9 coming to some sort of an agreement, and showing the match of the day on TV played on Saturday with the rest of the round played on Sunday.

The match of the day could be played at Middle Park preceded by the two best matches from the Metropolitan League, the 1st game starting around 12:00; this will give soccer fans a really good afternoon's entertainment.

What would be an ideal situation is to find some sort of sponsor who will help offset any loss incurred in the gate, by the live TV coverage.

Congratulations on your paper, keep up the good work.

Yours truly,

VICTOR BRINCAT,  
Rosanna East

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THE ALEXANDER-GEORGE CROSS game played last Sunday at Olympic Park nearly finished in a disaster. Six minutes before the end of the game a spectator ran on to the ground and with a perfect uppercut knocked out the referee Mr Jim Dickson. Players and police chased the intruder and only thanks to the calmness of officials, players and police the game could be finished. State League Management should order the home teams to provide officials with armbands who could help police to restore order and remove from the ground irresponsible club fanatics.

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WHY IS Ron Barassi — the Aussie Rules ideologue — suddenly frightened of soccer? In a statement recently made in Perth the North Melbourne coach says that Australian Rules game is facing a big challenge from soccer. Are we really so dangerous?

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RALPH RASIC the Socceroo's coach went for an overseas trip and could make a longer stop in England and look for a coaching job. Rasic was not yet appointed our National coach. The ASF is facing some financial problems and is not considering at present to re-appoint Rasic who has done such a wonderful job preparing our team for the 1974 cup final.

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HENRY Greenfield

# GEORGE YELLAND GEORGE YELLAND REPORTS

GEORGE YELLAND GEORGE YELLAND

Metropolitan League wind up and Federation Cup SO IT'S BRIGHTON AND BAYSWATER.

Third Division's magnificent competition reached its unforgettable climax, at Croydon Park, last Saturday.

A game worthy of the occasion produced a magnificent winning goal to Brighton, ten minutes from time.

Seldom, if ever, has soccer produced such a dramatic finale. Certainly, we have never seen its like in Victoria. Five months of tough competition involving 264 league games, only to find that a postponed game was to decide the champions and the teams to be promoted.

No dramatic novelist, not even a Hollywood scriptwriter, could have written such an incredible story. It would have been too much a flight of fancy to be acceptable to rational minds.

Spare a thought and some sympathy for Essendon City. For much of the season, they led the way. They played fine soccer, were well disciplined and appeared likely champions. Goal average robs them of any reward.

Brighton's amazing rise, in the second half of the competition, brought them promotion and the Third Division championship, a fitting climax to their fiftieth year jubilee celebrations.

In the Fourth Division promotion battle, between Broadmeadows City and Monash University, the home side kept alive their promotion prospects with a second half goal, which brought them a precious point. Their remaining game will be played in an atmosphere similar to the Brighton-Bayswater game. If Broadmeadows win, they go up. Anything less and their opponents, East Melbourne, will go up.

A remarkable series of away victories by relegation threatened clubs, on Sunday, cleared up the Second Division relegation problem.

Prahran City had completed their programme and had good reason to believe that Dandenong would be too good for Newport and Waverley and Dandenong would defeat North Carlton on their own grounds.

It was not to be. A combination of unfortunate happenings have led to Prahran's relegation. Waverley had a tough game on Saturday in the Federation Cup, followed by a late night celebration with consequent reduced capacity for Sunday's game. They also found North Carlton a desperate side who played above themselves and were worthy winners.

Dandenong, safe and with no danger of going up or down, lacked incentive. They used the game to blood promising youngsters and paid the penalty against a side determined to avoid the drop. Springvale won narrowly at Ringwood, against a side which fought all the way.

Saturday will settle the last Metropolitan promotion and relegation problem and Broadmeadows should have their best crowd of the season, to witness the outcome. Soccer Week

will be there. Watch for Graham Tie's thrilling action shots in next week's issue.

## FEDERATION CUP FIRST ROUND

Dandenong City 9 Rosebud 1

Rosebud, a far different proposition from previous years, were not overawed by their meeting with Dandenong at Frankston City's ground. They tore into this game and shocked the Second Division side by taking the lead in the fifteenth minute.

They hung on to a narrow lead until five minutes before the half-time whistle, when Dandenong suddenly realised they were involved in a game.

Brian Holcombe let loose a twenty yards rocket and the scores were level. Two minutes later, Albert Stanway rose high over defenders to flash a John Wotherspoon corner kick into the net with his head. From that point, the result was never in any doubt.

The second half was a procession. Dandenong added seven more goals and Rosebud had no answer to their quick forward thrusts.

Stanway finished with four goals, Holcombe had three, Hill and Wotherspoon scored the other two.

Albion Rovers 4 South Yarra 0

The Fourth Division side, outclassed in almost every phase of the game, showed great courage. Alf Stark was outstanding at centre half and they held Albion out for 40 minutes. Following the first goal, it became a matter of how many. Both sides had a number of reserves in and the game never rose to great heights.

Jimmy Daperis 2, Tom Clark and Billy Rae were Albion's goal scorers.

Waverley City 5 Western Suburbs 1

Waverley came through their first test against First Division opposition, with flying colours. They soundly defeated Western Suburbs in the Federation Cup game at Sixth Avenue.

Early in the game, Suburbs keeper Tony Franzone brought off great saves from shots by Sammy Jordan and Peter Whitehurst.

In the 10th minute, a cross by Sandy Bruce, headed on by Whitehurst, was nodded into the net by Jordan.

Nine minutes later Whitehurst crossed a good ball from the wing and Jordan flicked it over for Norman Edgar to head home the second goal. As the interval approached, Suburbs pulled one back when Newton

Wynne was laying on the ground injured.

Western Suburbs came out after half-time in determined fashion. Within three minutes, they hit the post and then ever reliable Ted Quy saved the day when he kicked a shot off the line. Waverley fought back and took back the initiative when David Sharp fed Whitehurst. The winger accelerated and crashed the ball into the net for Waverley's third. Late in the game, Dave McCourt beat 2 men and scored. Three minutes later, he repeated the effort.

It was a great effort and must give Waverley club confidence that they can do well in First Division.

Eddie Smith, Whitehurst, McCourt, Russell and Quy were outstanding for the victors.

Waverley reserves had a big win over Melbourne University reserves in the Harry Armstrong Cup. David Fearn 3, Frank Horvath 2, Eric Skinner and Tommy Weir were their scorers.

Springvale, with an eye on their important league game at Ringwood, the following day, underestimated Fourth Division side Clayton, at Ross Reserve on Saturday.

Clayton, playing good soccer, were more determined than their opponents.

Just before half-time, George Kyle put the visitors ahead and for the rest of the game Clayton hung on stubbornly, earning the right to entertain Doncaster Rovers in the next round, on Saturday.

St Albans 2 Coburg United 1

In a poor standard game, at Churchill Reserve, St Albans produced just enough to overcome Coburg and pass on to the next round.

There was little in it in the first half and it was 65 minutes before Con Ignatidis put St Albans in front. The lead was short lived, for the visitors equalised, five minutes later.

The game seemed headed for extra time, when Branko Culina produced a touch of class, to score a beauty, with only two minutes of play left.

Moorabbin 1 Park Rangers 3 after extra time.

Park Rangers pressed from the start but Moorabbin defended stubbornly. The visitors only reward was a penalty goal by Billy Ashton, just before half-time.

Moorabbin made a spirited fight of it in the second half and drew level when a curling corner, which keeper Trevor Beegan deflected into his own net. Rangers missed many chances and the game went to extra time.

In the tenth minute of the extra period, Eddie Cassidy put Rangers in front again and a minute later, Ashton scored another. This was the end for Moorabbin, but Rangers were far from convincing on the muddy, uneven surface.

Mornington 0 Preston 3

Preston were clearly too good for Mornington but both sides missed good scoring opportunities. The visitors scored the only goal of the first half after 25 minutes. After 60 minutes Mornington got the ball into the net, but off-side nullified it.

Five minutes later Preston scored a second goal and sewed the game up, ten minutes from time.

Both sides should have scored further goals, but inaccuracy and a poor playing surface prevented them.

North Carlton 0 Doncaster Rovers 2

Doncaster recovered early season form in their Federation Cup clash with North Carlton. With their important league match, the following day, North Carlton played several reserves, but the game produced some good soccer.

Peter Ballasone put Doncaster ahead after ten minutes. Playing well as a team, they held the lead until the 75th minute, when Jow Toplek scored a second goal, which assured Doncaster of a place in the next round. With 20 minutes to go, Doncaster substituted Phil Storey and Jim Hall for Garry Coxhill and Chris Walls. They finished worthy winners.

Essendon Lions 2 Box Hill 0

A strong wind spoiled this game as a spectacle, but Essendon were too strong and won deservedly.

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Con Ignatidis collected it and transferred the ball to Spiro Fragopoulos, who banged it in for the goal which prompted cracked it into the net.

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LEAGUE GAMES

Broadmeadows City 1 Monash University 1

Monash University had plenty of chances, but found the City goalkeeper, Steve Cummings, in brilliant form.

He had no chance with Monash's goal five minutes before the interval.

Just before the interval, Corio scored the goal that won the game.

HARRY ARMSTRONG CUP

Hakoah St Kilda 2 Park Rangers 0.

The rough practice pitch outside Middle Park Stadium, on which this game was played, was not conducive to good soccer.

Rangers have only themselves to blame for at least not forcing a replay.

They missed several open goals and when Keith Felton was upended in the penalty area, Albert McCormack shot straight at the keeper from the penalty spot and put the rebound wide.

Neil Robertson had two great shots well saved.

Dandenong brought a number of Juniors in for this game and they acquitted themselves with distinction.

Hakoah scrambled a

goal in the 35th minute and scored the second, three minutes after the interval.

Rangers will be celebrating this week. Paul Tirenay from Liverpool in his second season with the club celebrates his 21st birthday on Saturday and goalkeeper Chris Payne has arranged a party at his house, in honour of the event.

Monash University 2 Green Gully 1.

As the appointed referee failed to turn up, Karl Schneider, who played for Green Gully and is now at Monash was an agreeable substitute. Both sides acclaimed his performance after the game.

Monash, fresh from their triumph at Broadmeadows on Saturday, went straight into attack.

The game was even for twenty minutes, when Gully's keeper made a short kick to a defender, who attempted to return the ball, but Jim Blazer nipped in to put the students ahead. Five minutes later, Dave Clark almost made it two from a similar incident, but his shot went narrowly wide.

At the 40 minute mark, a through ball from the defence was nodded on by Frank Hoyle to Dave Clark, who pushed it out to Jim Blazer. Blazer crossed to Mike King, who was challenged by the keeper and as the ball ran loose, Frank Hoyle was on hand to slam it into the net.

Gully fought hard in the second half but could make little impression on a well marshalled defence.

When Monash broke away, Blazer miskicked it in front of an open goal.

A mistake in the 80th minute cost Monash a goal. Keeper Simon Hemmingway came out to collect the ball, but a defender kicked it out of his hands and straight to a Gully forward who promptly cracked it into the net.

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Ian Lieves, in midfield, twin centre halves Russell Pasicnyj and Rade Covic and goalkeeper Andy Depetrou were Essendon's outstanding men.

Corio 1 Ringwood United 0

Ringwood gave a disappointing performance in going down by an only goal, at Corio. They had plenty of chances, in the first half, to make the game safe, but finished badly.

Just before the interval, Corio scored the goal that won the game.

North Carlton 2 Waverley City 0

This game was played at Sixth Avenue, because North Carlton's ground was unfit for play.

Cummings made two miraculous saves from terrific shots by Karl Schneider. In the last 20 minutes Broadmeadows applied heavy pressure.

A long ball was being gathered by Hemmingway as Lauri Cafa came running in. He ran into the goalkeeper's knees as he was in mid air and had to be carried off the field.

As they clashed, the ball dropped loose and Dennis Bikell was there to tap it into an empty goal for a welcome equalizer, which leaves Broadmeadows with the chance of promotion if they can down East Melbourne, on Saturday.

The goals came from sudden breaks in the 70th and 79th minutes.

Victory ensured them of another season in Division Two.

Ringwood United 1 Springvale 3.

Ringwood's old failing

in front of goal let them down in this match vital to Springvale.

When a defender handled a John Ryan shot

after 25 minutes, Terry Casey put Ringwood ahead from the penalty spot and they led at half-time.

old Lloyd Owen, in goal and mid-field player Davi Pye, who has a

lendous shot with either foot and is also 16, were terrific. It was the established players who were below form. The goal which gave Newport victory was scored in the first half and there was more than a suspicion of off-side about it.

Ken Fletcher played a stormer, especially in the second half, but Newport, with so much at stake, stuck grimly to their task and emerged worthy winners.

Albion Rovers 2 Frankston City 1.

There was an end of season flavour about this game.

In a lack lustre first

half, Frankston had the edge and after 28 minutes, Norrie Campbell

scored a great goal to put them in front.

The second half was

Albion's and Tom Clark

levelled matters when he headed in, following a corner kick.

After 75 minutes, Al-

bion were awarded an

indirect free-kick in the

penalty area, which Stan

Foster tapped to John

Pryde drove it into the

head to slam it into the

net for the winner.

Both teams tried out

young and inexperienced

players and there was

some obvious future tal-

ent on show.

St Albans 1 Essendon

Lions 0.

This postponed game at Churchill Reserve turned out to be a real crowd pleaser. St Albans were keen to win this game and pulled out all stops.

In the 40th minute,

Joe Biewer, who had a

great game, belted a free-

kick up field from the

halfway line.

Con Ignatidis collect-

# SYDNEY SOCCER SCENE

BY JACK DANIELS AND OSCAR BROWN

AUBURN, one of Sydney's stable and respected First Division clubs, is on the verge of financial collapse and may have to disband.

The Auburn Social Club that backs the Auburn Soccer Club have stated that they will only be able to give the Soccer club a grant of \$10,000 towards the cost of running the Soccer club this season.

The management board of the Soccer club are adamant that this sum is not nearly enough to cover its commitments and because of this they may have to either disband, relinquish their First Division status, or turn amateur.

Last year the Auburn Social Club gave the Soccer club \$20,000 to cover the football expenses.

The reason given for the cut in the grant to the football club this year was that the Social Club want to undertake renovations and alterations to their club premises.

Football club secretary Brian Leonard said

players had called for an immediate meeting with the football club committee.

"We are very sorry to hear the plight that the club is in, but it is not of our making and we must have our position clarified."

"There are a number of us who will be moving on as we are professional players and certainly will not think of taking a cut in salary or playing as amateurs."

Top players in the Auburn team who look certain to move on are Malone, star striker Dave Keddie, strong man stopper Les Hucker and midfielder Gerry Walker.

None of these players should have any difficulty in obtaining new clubs.

The final decision on the future of the Auburn football club will be made later this week when an extraordinary meeting of all football club members has been called.

**OSCAR BROWN**

Two of Auburn's class players former Australian international striker Dave Keddie formerly of Hakoah (left) and giant stopper Les Hucker (right) almost certain to move on to other clubs at the end of the present season



Sydney Soccer semi-finals at the Sydney Sports Ground.

**St. George 2 d Wests 0.**

St. George Budapest played tight defensive football to eliminate a jaded Western Suburbs 2-0 in the First Soccer Sports Ground on Sunday.

An early penalty from World Cup star Attila Abonyi followed by a scoring angled drive from replacement Paul Coton in the 79th minute saw the Saints win a place in the preliminary final in two weeks time.

St. George fielded eight internationals including late replacement John McDonald and were superior throughout in an insipid game.

They had little to beat however, as the much vaunted Western Suburbs defence looked nothing

like the one which had conceded the least number of goals in the premiership.

Highlight of a rather patchy first half was Abonyi's well directed penalty which put St George 1-0 up after 15 minutes.

Wests Warren Turnbull committed himself to tackle Neville Morgan as the St George striker bore down on the goal.

It wasn't the worst penalty ever awarded, but it was correctly given by referee Tony Boskovic.

Abonyi punched the ball to the right of Wests keeper Terry Eaton, who leaped to the left.

Jim Fraser had an outstanding game in the St George goal.

His big moment was when he switched a lobbed back pass from

Brendan Grosse around the right hand corner of the posts when the Saints defender had all but goalled against his own side.

Cotton, normally a defender, netted his surprise goal 34 minutes into the second half, only two minutes after he had replaced.

Abonyi had a hand in this one as well.

He switched play from midway in Wests half across to Cotton who was bearing down on the right.

Cotton neatly angled in his shot on the run from 12 metres.

The gap that made this move so easy to execute was caused by Wests switching Col Curran from left back to an attacking position in the vain hope of an equaliser.

St George anchor man Manfred Schaefer made a

THERE will soon be a move made to allow Sydney's First Division teams to carry the advertisement of a sponsor on their playing apparel.

This has been allowed into European football this season and with sponsorship becoming a reality there are a number of top Sydney clubs ready to announce that they have obtained sponsors.

And with the coming of colored television and the aspect of a national

or professional competition in the offing these sponsors want value for their money.

And what better value than to have the name of the firm emblazoned across the players jersey or shorts.

Adidas capitalised on this in the World Cup finals when they had

their famous three stripes on almost every jersey, pair of shorts and boots in the final series.

With these three stripes who needs a name!

Campari has gone into this in a big way in Germany and their name will be carried throughout the season on the backs of a leading German First Division club.

This is a magnificent idea and if it brings the clubs more revenue then there should be no hesitation in granting the applications.

American sport has survived on sponsors and ads for years and years, and it is well past time Australia or at least Sydney Soccer followed suit.

By JACK DANIELS



Two of Sydney's top midfielders will return to Victorian Soccer next year.

They are Sydney-Hakoah's World Cup star Jim Mackay and Apia's Billy McArthur.

Both players are originally from Melbourne where they played together with Croatia.

After two seasons in the hustle and bustle of the Sydney scene both fellows now want to return to Melbourne and finish their careers in Victoria.

A big factor in their decision to return to Melbourne is that their wives miss their Melbourne friends and want to return.

Mackay, Australia's scorer of the goal that put them into the World Cup Finals in Germany has had re-signing talks with his Sydney club Hakoah, but these talks have broken down.

Because of this he has said that he will not resign a new contract and will not join another Sydney club.

McArthur has had an in and out season with Apia but still has all the class and ability that made him one of Victoria's leading players.

Both players are firm friends and are keen to team-up together again in Victoria.

Latest news on the

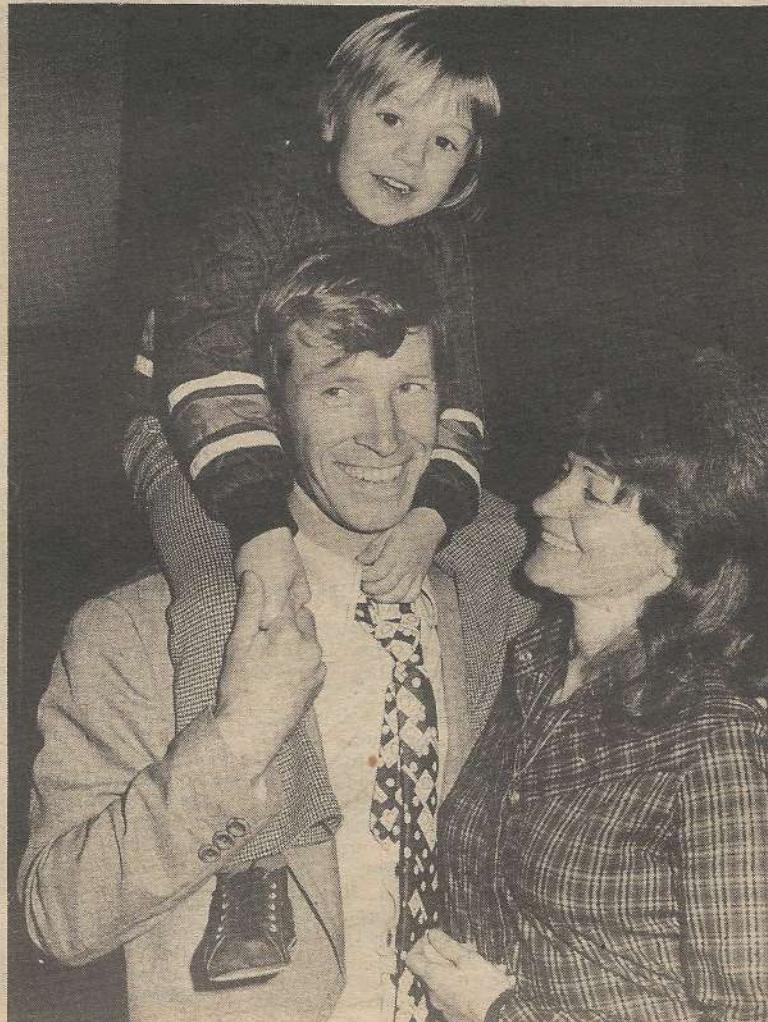
This South American goalkeeper (right) applies his own style of advertising to the game in his trendy fashions from a local Brazilian boutique.

in for McArthur as they have good understanding with the Apia club following the transfer of

their goalkeeper, John Kennedy, to the Sydney club earlier this year.

**OSCAR BROWN**

Australia's star midfielder Jim Mackay seen here with his wife Marilyn and son Malcolm who all seem to be bound for Melbourne next year.



There has been a lot of rubbish and nonsense talked over the last few weeks about the formation of a national league.

Half the people spouting out about it just don't know what it's all about and what is actually going on.

The blueprint (5 pages) of the construction of the league is a sound one and one that if all petty jealousies were forgotten would be very workable indeed.

However, Australian Soccer and its stupidity will probably ensure that this national league will never get off the ground, which is indeed a very sad day for Soccer in Australia.

If countries such as South Africa and New Zealand can support and run a successful national league then it's a damned poor show that Australia can't.

Soccer in Australia can only benefit by adopting a professional approach to run Soccer.

The formation of a well founded National League should be a spur to those excluded from the competition (and who wish to partake) to set about organising themselves in a professional manner and to prepare themselves for eventual inclusion in the National League.

These clubs freed of the burden of insurmountable financial problems will gradually find their own level and in doing so provide increased opportunity for Australian born players to progress in the game.

Eventually establishing Soccer as an integral part of the sporting and social structure of Australia.

Sectional interests must be replaced by the wholehearted desire to improve Soccer — regardless of who may fall by the wayside in the process.

The following report is basically an outline of what would be required to found a national Soccer league and should include sufficient detail to enable a rational debate to be conducted on the subject.

Here are the proposals laid forward for what could be a very workable and successful national league:

#### 1. The Company

1.1) The title of the proposed national soccer competition shall be "The National Soccer League of Australia Limited" (N.S.L.A.); hereafter referred to as "The Company".

1.2) The Company shall be incorporated in the national capital (A.C.T.) and in all States in which the units comprising the company reside.

1.3) The Company shall be comprised of twelve (12) units (Clubs) duly incorporated in their respective States.

1.4) The Board of Directors of the Company shall consist of twelve (12) persons, each being a representative of each singular unit comprising the Company, and shall include an honorary Chairman and an honorary Deputy-Chairman of Directors.

Board members shall receive only out-of-pocket expenses, free accommodation and meals during interstate meetings and allowances in case of overseas commitments on behalf of the Company.

1.5) The Company shall be governed by Board decision and shall be independent of any other soccer organisation at present operating in

responsibility of the Board of Directors and all matters of public importance shall be conveyed to the media only by authorised Company members (e.g. the Secretary/Manager).

1.6) The Board shall convene once per month and the Company shall be administered between meetings by a professional Secretary/Manager, permanently employed by the Company and established in a registered office in the City of Sydney, N.S.W.

The Secretary/Manager and his staff shall be the only persons receiving salaries.

1.7) On formation, the Company shall request immediate affiliation to the Australian Soccer Federation (A.S.F.) as a separate and independent Body and the A.S.F. shall, in turn, immediately inform F.I.F.A. of the acceptance of affiliation and of the origin and aims of the Company.

1.8) An Annual General Meeting of the Company shall be convened subject to and in accordance with the Companies Act regulating public companies in the A.C.T.

#### 2. Scope of the Company

2.1) The Company shall endeavour to promote, play and foster the game of soccer in all the States of Australia on a similar organisational basis to that of the English F.A., the West German F.A. and of the other similar countries in which the code is played as a professional sport.

2.2) The Company shall promote a National League Competition, a National Cup Competition, International matches and tours by overseas clubs without hindrance or interference from the A.S.F. or any other soccer organisation at present in operation in Australia.

2.3) Sponsorships and TV and Radio coverage rates shall be negotiated by the Company without consideration of or interference from the A.S.F. or any other soccer bodies at present constituted in Australia.

2.4) The entrance fees to any fixtures promoted by N.S.L.A. shall be determined annually by the Company.

2.5) Soccer promotions instigated by the A.S.F., requiring the services of players registered with N.S.L.A., must be negotiated with and approved by the Company and proper financial agreements concluded prior to any commitments being made.

2.6) The Company shall undertake to provide players required to form the Australian National Soccer Team for competition in international friendly matches, World Cup matches or any other international competition, only after the dates and venues of such matches have been commonly agreed to by the Company and the A.S.F. (To comply with this condition, it is estimated that the wage bill would be approximately \$95,000 per annum).

3.4) The units shall at all times be administered and managed by a Secretary/Manager (or Manager/Coach) supplemented by a senior and assistant coach, a qualified masseur, an honorary doctor and a gear steward. The playing staff of each unit shall be no less than 16 and no more than 20 players dually registered with the N.S.L.A. and the A.S.F.

3.5) The units shall at all times endeavour to obtain the best playing areas in the cities in which the N.S.L.A. has jurisdiction.

In fact the acquisition of suitable stadia shall be a pre-requisite for membership of the N.S.L.A.

#### 4. The Competition

4.1) The Company shall commence the competition on the 1st of February, 1975, with a grand opening in all cities under the jurisdiction of the N.S.L.A. which may eventually be requested by these establishments.

2.8) The formation of all policy matters relating to the promotion and programming of the soccer code in Australia under the jurisdiction of the N.S.L.A. shall be the

winners shall be regarded as the Australian Cup Holders for the year.

4.2) The League Competition, conducted by the N.S.L.A. shall commence on 16th March 1975 and shall be sponsored by a reputable firm or a consortium of firms to be endorsed by the Board of the Company.

4.3) The League Competition shall be on a basis of home and away fixtures with each of the units concerned fully and individually responsible for home fixtures and gate takings.

4.4) Promotion and relegation shall become operational after a period of two (2) years from the commencement of the N.S.L.A. competition and shall be considered as follows:

(a) That the unit coming last in the State of N.S.W. or Victoria (South Australia and Queensland are exempt from these considerations) be relegated from the N.S.L.A. competition.

(b) That a replacement for the relegated unit be selected from the States of N.S.W. or Victoria and accepted into the N.S.L.A. provided that the unit is capable of complying with the membership conditions of the Company and is endorsed by the majority of the Board of Directors.

#### 5. Recommendations

To conclude, in addition to the aforementioned conditions it would also be suggested that the Company carefully consider:

5.1) That the present State Federations should be encouraged to continue to operate on an amateur or part-time basis and that they shall include in their competitions nursery teams from each of those units operating in the N.S.L.A.

5.2) That in order to promote and foster strong Australian based foundations, 50 per cent of the playing staff of the N.S.L.A. units should consist of Australian born players and migrants domiciled in Australia prior to their eighteenth birthday.

Additional items concerning the formation of the league — as specified in the above report the initial league should consist of 12 teams made up as follows:

6 NSW (4 Sydney, 1 Newcastle, 1 Wollongong)

4 Victoria  
1 Queensland (state representation)

1 South Australia (state representation)

This will obviously be a main area of controversy.

The ability of Victoria to supply 4 financially sound and well organised units could be in doubt.

Because of this a liable alternative to the original proposal would be

8 NSW (4 Sydney, 2 Newcastle, 2 Wollongong)

2 Victoria  
1 Queensland  
1 South Australia

It will be essential that promotion and relegation be suspended for a period of two to three years from the start of the competition.

Reliable sponsorship would be a necessary pre-requisite for a national competition and should consist of:

Airline sponsorship of all interstate travel.

League sponsorship of say \$25,000 to the outright competition win-

ner. Final four championship system should be abolished and replaced by sponsored cup competitions, thereby creating greater interest and keener competition in the premiership.

Cup sponsorship during the League with increasing percentage of prizemoney with progression to final round.

Champion of Champions sponsorship — to be played at end of season between league and cup winners — any team winning all would automatically become champion of champions.

Individual club sponsorship would also be cultivated with the eventual aim for full-time professionalism.

All in all sound proposals and if not adopted now they must surely come in the not too distant future.

By JACK DANIELS

## SOCCER WEEK

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LAST WEEK'S dispute between the Sydney first division coaches and the New South Wales Federation executive was one of those sordid incidents that should never have been allowed to happen.

It was a complete case of mismanagement by the New South Wales executive who let the whole situation get out of hand in what can only be described as an unrealistic fashion.

Last November the Sydney clubs voted "yes" to a proposal that all the coaches of the first division clubs would be compelled to register with the New South Wales Federation.

This should have been brought into motion immediately and the coaches should have been made register before the competition started.

However, through gross administrative mismanagement this was left until nine months later for the registration to be brought into action.

And, in between times the feeling between the coaches and the NSW Federation had deteriorated into one of mistrust and hate on both sides.

National coach Rale Rasic was brought over the coals for speaking what can only be described as the truth and fined \$25 for his actions without even being charged with anything.

It was not until after the Rasic incident that the NSW Federation executive pressed for the registrations to take place.

Naturally the coaches

Australia and St George's rugged defender Manfred Schaefer has decided to call it a day and hang up his boots at the end of the season.

The old warhorse feels that he has had enough and it's now time to go to the pasture and concentrate on delivering milk on his very successful milk round business in Sydney's Western Suburbs.

Schaefer, like many other World Cup players who have returned to the local scene from Germany, no doubt finds it hard to stir up real enthusiasm for the game after the glory of the finals.

However, Schaefer can leave the playing arena with his head held high, for he has been a credit to Australia and himself.

Since he joined St George in 1963 the blond bomber has never known how to give anything but 100 percent.

At times this all-action and tough style has not endeared him to the fans especially the opposition fans.

But he just shrugged his shoulders and carried on relentlessly.

His excellent talents brought him over 49 full

It seemed as if the coaches would stand firm on their refusal to register until St George player/coach John Warren did a complete about-turn and registered last Thursday.

By doing this Warren, rightly so, gained the contempt of all his fellow coaches and by letting his obvious ambitious thoughts rule his thinking he has put every coach in Sydney in jeopardy.

Warren long time regarded as the "little-boy lost" of Sydney Soccer obviously wanted to safeguard his "all Australian boy" image".

However this image could well be shattered if World Cup reports are forthcoming in the coming weeks.

Now registered, the Sydney coaches are now under the complete mercy of the NSW executive who have made it very clear that a few old scores to settle with the coaches.

Fines, suspensions and all sorts could be forthcoming if a coach ever dares to open his mouth in future.

Which again all goes to show, what a damned mess the New South Wales Federation have got themselves into in their pathetic attempt to administer Sydney Soccer.

By JACK DANIELS

Schaefer's retirement announcement coming on top of the loss of Ray Baartz and the likely retirement of one or two more Sydney stars seems to be the beginning of the end of the "old guard".

However, they may go but they certainly will not be forgotten and Manfred Schaefer's name will always be remembered wherever football is played in Australia.

Good luck Manfred in your retirement, and on behalf of everyone who watched you play, thanks for the memories.

By OSCAR BROWN



SYDNEY CONTINUED P.10

# SOCER GOSSIP

**REMEMBER** Bill Westerveld of the Wilhelmina club? Bill was elected vice-president of the Sydney soccer Beefsteak and Burgundy club last week.

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**CLUBS** on the lookout for coaches next season should start to think about advertising for them now before the season kicks-off. Most new coaches like to get to know their players long before the start of the season. One coach on the sidelines at present who shouldn't be is Tony Boggi, Victoria's state coach. Since he left Juventus (replaced by Manly Poulikakis), Tony has been an onlooker at State League games.

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**AUSTRALIA'S** World Cup player Adrian Alston made an impressive debut with Luton Town in English First Division. They drew 1-1 with Queens Park Rangers. On this display Alston looks set to become a regular member of Luton Town's first team.

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**PETER** Ollerton was certainly a big loss to Ringwood City Wilhelmina but he was certainly a bigger gain for Sydney's Apia. Peter topped the NSW First Division goal-scorers this season with 18. In Victoria's State League Jim Armstrong, of South Melbourne Hellas, is going to beat this before the season ends. At the time of writing he already has 17 to his credit and there are four more games to go.

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**RALE RASIC** has a fine record as Australia's coach. In 58 internationals his team has won 27, drawn 17, lost 14, scored 96 goals and had 59 scored against them.

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**BRIAN RADCLIFFE**, new coach of the Melbourne under 12's, has told his boys some of them will have to stand on the line next season because he has 23 in his squad.

Brian said he would select about 15 to train during the off season and prepare for a championship side next year. He's been with the club for a month and during that time his lads have won two games and lost two games. On Sunday in a hard game they beat Rosanna 3-2 and finished third on the Under 12 West ladder.

Brian said he has a good prospect in Tim Woodhouse who has only been in Australia for about two months. He's English and shows potential as a mid-fielder. Hugh McCann, the skipper, also is outstanding.

Brian will keep the boys in training with friendly games during the lay off. He starts this weekend with a game against Box Hill under 12's who recently beat

his side at home.

It is wonderful to think that we have so many coaches in Melbourne giving their services free to these young lads who are the stars of the future. We often think that the coaches get more out of the game than some of the boys. And it is worth noting that it costs the coaches money to do their job. They buy oranges for the boys during interval and also help out with balls. Last week Brian provided three training balls for his youngsters at his own expense. Well done!

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**FREDDIE BUNCE**, popular assistant manager at Adidas and star player for Ringwood City Wilhelmina, is returning to England for a holiday later this year. He's a former Watford professional and is hoping club president Mr John van Hoboken will give him permission to train and play for the local side when he returns home. He'll be away for about two months.

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**SID STEELE** has been dropped from Ringwood City, but would like a transfer to join another club next season.

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**RICKY VAN DUPPEN**, is a promising player with Ringwood City reserves. Many believe this 16 year old left back will be in the first team next season.

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**TREVOR OWEN**, a midfield player who starred for Victoria's under 16 side in Perth, is likely to make the Ringwood City first team next year.

The Ringwood club has a ton of young talent and they will be a force to reckon with in a year or two and their boss, Mr John van Hoboken, sr., knows this. Chris Groewald, a utility player of 17, is another promising player and Stephen Kelly, 19 year old English mid-fielder, is coming on well despite his recent knee injury.

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**REFEREE** Richard Thwaites is a dental surgeon by profession and a whistle man by hobby. On Saturday at Esther Park he ordered off the pride and joy of the Mooroolbark United side — their captain-coach Brian Edgley.

Brian clashed with Slavia keeper Mike O'Hara who played one of his best games this season. He stopped a great penalty shot which certainly resulted in his side gaining two points.

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**LES ERDI**, Hakoah St Kilda president, wasn't too happy with his team's performance last Saturday. He said, "I didn't know what they were doing. There is something wrong with them. I can't understand it. They don't pass the ball to each other and when they have the chance they don't score."

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**BRIAN EDGLEY**, of Mooroolbark, after watching his team go down 1-0 to Slavia at Esther Park on Saturday said, "We were the better side but O'Hara saved them with a penalty."

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**MIKE SINCLAIR**, Mooroolbark full back, said, "If the penalty had gone in we would have won the game."

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**JIM TANSEY**, Slavia full back, didn't agree. His comment was, "We struggled early but as the game wore on we dominated play."

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**JOHN HOWIE**, Slavia linkman, added, "It was a very hard game at Esther Park and we just about deserved to win."

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**PETER GRAY** gained the votes as the man of the match in Polonia's 3-1 win over Keilor, at Maribyrnong on Saturday.

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**CONGRATULATIONS** to Bobby McLauchlan in his promise to Brighton committee when he joined them early this season that they would win the Third Division championship. That's what they did on Saturday when they beat Bayswater 1-0 in a hard game.

Team manager Les Shorrock said it was played in Cup-tie spirit with excellent refereeing by Jack Readshaw our favorite whistleman.

Les gave credit to Johnny Irvine for his great display in the game scoring the goal which gave them the title.

The victory was a nice gift for Les who joined the Australian Soccer Pools as a representative on Monday. A very good way to kick off a new career Les!

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**MR SCWANNER**, the former Melbourne coach, has had offers to coach a club in Sydney First Division but his wife likes Melbourne. This is one of the reasons why he's reluctant to move. He's still hoping to get a job in State League next season.

Speaking of Hungarian coaches, one of the most underestimated is Bill Naday, a former Melbourne player who now

concentrates on Melbourne juniors. Bill, who runs a city milk bar, is one of our top junior coaches who takes his job seriously.

But one of the big problems with the Melbourne club is the interference the people who give their services free get from spectators and more so with parents who have their boys playing in junior teams.

We've even seen coaches from other grades of Melbourne juniors instructing teams how to play during the interval of league games! If these guilty men read this perhaps they'll take the hint. Keep to your own teams and let the coach responsible take charge of his own side at all times.

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**TONY CHARLTON**, GTV9 commentator, had an interesting interview with Bill Curran, coach of Victoria's successful under 16 side, during the interval of the Middle Park game on Saturday.

Bill said all eleven players in the team which went to Perth with him have a chance of making the State League. It depends on their clubs.

Bill said he may not be coaching the juniors next year because he wants to break into the State League as a club coach. Many soccer people at the top have underestimated Bill's ability. He is devoted to his job as physical education teacher and also devoted to soccer coaching. The result is now on the record sheet. He's coached two successful under 16 state sides in three years — and that's good going.

We believe Bill is ideal material for one of our top sides. Hakoah St. Kilda is one club who saw the value of Bill's ability when they put him in charge of their juniors.

They should now compensate him with further honors by letting him control their senior team which is badly in need of some new life — the kind of life Bill can inject into the side if given the opportunity.

#### NEXT WEEK'S GAMES

#### VICTORIAN SOCCER FEDERATION

\*also see below

#### for mid-week fixtures

#### STATE LEAGUE

Round 20

Saturday 14/9/74

George Cross v Hakoah-St. Kilda (Schintler Res.). St. Melb. Melbourne Hellas v Prahran Slavia (Middle Park).

Sunday 15/9/74

Utd (Olympic Park). Utd. (olympic Park). Ringwood City Wilhelmina v Polonia-Maribyrnong (Jubilee Park). Keilor Austria v Fitzroy Utd. Alex (Schintler Res.). Melbourne v Footscray JUST (Middle Park).

Sunday 15/9/74

Utd (Olympic Park). Mordialloc v Postal Institute. Chadstone v Nunawading Utd. Nth. Dandenong v Sandown. Karingal v Toorak. West Richmond v Balaclava.

METROPOLITAN LEAGUE

(postponed games)

Sunday 15/9/74

South Oakleigh v Hawksburn.

#### EAST DIVISION

South Oakleigh v Hawksburn.

#### SYDNEY REPORT FROM PAGE 9

**SYDNEY**-Hakoah are negotiating with Irish superstar George Best in an attempt to bring him to Australia to play two exhibition matches.

Following the announcement of Apia's capture of Scottish World star Denis Law last week the Bondi based Hakoah club decided to go for George Best under the same conditions.

If they are successful in signing Best for two games Hakoah with Best in their side will play Apia with Law in their side in two challenge games in Sydney and Melbourne.

These would be two certain crowd pleasers and it would be one of the most inspiring promotions ever staged in Soccer in Australia.

Despite not at present playing in competition football Best is still in good condition and travels the world making guest appearances.

Wherever he goes his life is filled with controversy and seldom a week passes with him making the front pages of the world's press.

Born in Northern Ireland in 1946, he plays as a winger, striker or schemer, because he is such a superbly natural footballer.

He is the most discussed footballer of all time and his cuttings alone in one newspaper library occupy more than two dozen of the largest envelopes in the building, and as one harassed journalist pointed out, "there's a contradiction in every one".

Best is indeed a walking or running contradiction, a player of spell-binding talent, yet his own worst enemy. His skill made him a legend even before he was old enough to vote, yet his behaviour was all too sadly a microcosm of many football ill.

By the time of his decision to retire in the early summer of 1972, when he was 26, few people were surprised. The people had lost the capacity for surprise where Best was concerned. His enigmatic behaviour had left such feelings well behind.

For a brief spell Best returned to the game with his appetite for football seemingly as voracious as ever. But it was not to last for long. In December he performed another of his

Or may be brought forward to Saturday if clubs not involved in Federation Cup.

#### DIVISION I

Albion Rovers v Yalourn.

#### DIVISION II

Dandenong City v Springvale City.

#### DIVISION IV

Broadmeadows City v East Melbourne. Monash University v University of Melb. South Yarra v Moorabbin.

#### PROVISIONAL LEAGUE

Saturday 14/9/74

(postponed games)

Lanewarra v Frankston Pines. Fawkner v Carlton.

#### DISTRICT LEAGUE

Sunday 15/9/74

(postponed games)

#### NORTH DIVISION

Mitcham v Rosanna.

Greensborough v Nth. Melbourne\*

#### SOUTH DIVISION

Round 22

North Springvale v Mordialloc. Footscray JUST v Prahran Slavia (Schintler Res.). Wednesday 11/9/74

(k.o. 4.30 p.m.)

Footscray JUST v Prahran Slavia (Schintler Res.).

Wednesday 18/9/74

Juventus v Polonia (Olympic Park).

#### FEDERATION CUP

Saturday 14/9/74

2nd Round

Yallourn v Heidelberg.

Doveton v Broadmeadows City. Springvale or Clayton v Nth. Carlton or Doncaster Rovers. Altona City v Essendon Lions or Box Hill. Univ. of Melbourne or Croydon v Prahran City. Richmond v East Melbourne. Dandenong

ed to fulfill Manager Matt Busby's dream of the European Cup turning the match against Benfica early in extra time with a typical solo goal.

Not surprisingly he was chosen as the European Footballer of the Year to go along with the other honor of English Footballer of the Year.

For the record and it is an impressive one — from his first full season with Manchester United, 1964-65, up to the end of the 1971-72 season, he played 313 out of 336 League matches. With 17 goals in 1963-64, this brought his total League appearances to 330 in which he had scored 131 goals.

In the last five seasons he had been United's top scorer — in an attack that included two other European Footballers of the Year — Dennis Law and Bobby Charlton.

Despite his excesses, his occasional bad manners and lack of taste, he has been brilliant enough, for long enough, to rank with the very greatest players of all time.

For that, for the pleasure he has given to millions he could be forgiven a great deal.

To have him play in Australia with his great Manchester United partner Denis Law would be the scoop of the century.

It is hoped for all our sakes that Sydney-Hakoah's venture is successful.

By JACK DANIELS



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# SOCER WEEK PREVIEW

by JOHN MARTIN

ROUND 20 coming up this weekend — only two more to go — and there will be four games on Sunday at Olympic Park, Middle Park, Jubilee Park and Footscray Road.

Probably the game of the week will be on Saturday at Middle Park when South Melbourne Hellas clash with Prahran Slavia.

Hellas haven't had it all their own way in recent games and Slavia have been making hard work of their league games.

Last week against Mooroolbark it was goalie Mike O'Hara who saved them with a great save in a penalty. It could be O'Hara again who will save them on Saturday. He's playing at his best and State coach Tony Boggi should keep his eye on him for a place in the State squad when he makes his roll call next month in preparation for the Polish LKS club's visit in January.

And what a test O'Hara will get at Middle Park with the three best sharpshooters in the business — Jim Armstrong, Nich Nechvoglod and Ulysses Kokkinos all anxious to bang them past the Irishman.

This is a good game for GTV9, Tony Charlton and his merry men, after last week's poor show between Melbourne and Hakoah. We can be assured of some action

## OLYMPIC PARK GAME HAD EVERYTHING!

By JOHN MARTIN

OLYMPIC PARK fans were treated to one of the most colourful State League games of the season on Sunday when George Cross beat Fitzroy United Alexander 5-3.

The game had everything. Drama, excitement, thrills, suspense, the lot. And it was all recorded on TV, and believe it or not, in colour!

It was the first State League game to be filmed by colour cameras in preparation for colour television next March. The ABC spent the afternoon at the park recording all the play.

They couldn't have had it better. Referee Jim Dixon was knocked out by a spectator dressed in a red sweater seven minutes from the end.

The spectator jumped the fence after Mr Dixon had awarded a penalty to Fitzroy. The irate fan ran across to the referee and struck him with his clenched fist. Mr Dixon fell to the ground.

The spectator took off to the other side of the ground chased by linesmen Terry Tovey and Mike Taussing, who is also a commentator on GTV9 "Live Soccer" shows. Seven policemen also took chase with a few hundred fans who had also jumped the fence.

They caught the spectator and he was arrested. The man was charged with assault on referee Dixon, who after recovering from the blow, continued the match 25 minutes later.

The trouble started when the referee awarded a penalty to Fitzroy after George Gillan was fouled by Paul Murphy. Frank Donachie converted from the penalty spot to make the score 5-3 and to give himself a hat-trick of goals.

Earlier the game opened sensationally when

Mike Clarey and David Baker after their 1-0 defeat against Melbourne last Saturday.

This team has the potential to score goals. It has the ability to kick on. It has the players of class who have represented Victoria and played for Australia and also the national under 23 side.

All it needs is a little more toughness in attack. Hakoah is playing like a soft Italian side. It must go in hard and not be afraid to smash the ball goalwards.

They must start to build up in defence and make the mid-fielders work harder by picking up their passes and doing something of value with them. We do not believe that players like Mandulis, Micevski, Clarey and co. are finished.

The news that Joe Katz has walked out of the club because he was dropped is not encouraging for a team which needs all the help it can get at the end of a rather mediocre season. Only a 100 percent effort will lift Hakoah. The committee know this and it's time the players realised it too.

George Cross for my money. And here I expect to see Paul Murphy produce a hat-trick to keep him in the interest-

Nick Racovitis off and brought on Mike Stogianou. It paid.

Paul Murphy dribbled past one defender and centred to Frank McArde who scored to put George Cross in the lead 5-1 but Donachie hit back minutes later with his second goal.

Then the sensational penalty was given in Fitz-

roy's favour and this sparked off the incident.

Referee Dixon said afterwards "I didn't see a thing. He knocked me right out. I never knew what hit me," he said.

Referee Dixon said had he not recovered from the blow on the chin the senior linesman Mike Taussing would have taken over.

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## STATE LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP

The postponed State League Championship fixture re-scheduled to be played on Wednesday, 11th September, 1974 will not be played at Schintler Reserve as previously advised.

The game will be played on that day at OLYMPIC PARK with a KO time at 7.45 pm.

## PROVISIONAL LEAGUE

### FAWKNER 2 FRANKSTON P. 1

IN A fantastic game, full with excitement, Fawkner defeated Frankston Pines 2-1.

Frankston Pines dominated in the first half

ing race for top goal-scorer honors with Jim Armstrong.

Cross coach Ken Patterson can chalk this one up as 2 points and start thinking about the following week's game. No need to worry about "Courage" on Saturday, Ken. It's all yours mate!

Juventus should toss Mooroolbark at Olympic Park on Sunday. Juventus will be wanting to prove their win over Hakoah was no fluke and they will do this.

Interesting march at Jubilee Park will see Ringwood City clash with Polonia. Perhaps the clash here will be off the field as Polonia coach Mike de Bruyckere used to play and coach Wilhelm.

This is one game I would like to see staying very close to Ringwood president John van Hoboken following his tactics with his eager side. No doubt Gary Cole and Phil Williamson, the runner, will be up front for the Ringwood team.

But watch Peter Gray go for the Poles. This match will provide some fast soccer — and perhaps another draw.

At Footscray Road on Sunday it will be just a matter of "how many" for Fitzroy United Alexander against relegation team Keilor Austria.

It could be 4-0. Keilor are outclassed here and are only gaining match practice for their return to Metropolitan League where they belong. They've never been in State League class and another season or two in lower company will make a better team of them.

Man to watch here is star mid-fielder Pat Ban-

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scoring a good goal, but Fawkner came back in the second half putting the visitors under pressure.

John Pater and Tony Mainenti scored for Fawkner.

Best players: Korlevic, Spataro, Borgese, Mai-

nenti. Fawkner is playing very good soccer and in the last five weeks scored 24 goals.

The Fawkner's team: Spataro, G. Pater, Vecchiato, Schipano, Borgese, Zahra; Mainenti, Franin, R. Marcato (Korlevic), Minnala, J. Pater.

Next Saturday: Fawkner-Carlton.

## MARIO CORENO

### UNDER 9 NUNAWADING v MORELAND

Result, a win to Nunawading 4-0.

A rather listless display, with a hesitancy throughout the team reminiscent of the early days of the season, which resulted in a scoreline which belied the true difference between the sides. Whilst we would admit that Nunawading well deserved their win there should not, in our

opinion, have been more than a two goal difference.

Melbourne will beat Footscray JUST even though JUST's president sat quietly in the Middle Park stand on Saturday watching every move of the Melbourne players in their win over Hakoah.

Footscray has fallen apart at the wrong time of the season. This is another club which needs a shake up. A new committee perhaps will do the trick. They cannot expect miracles from some of the older players in the side next year.

They must look for new talent fast not from overseas, oh no! Their supporters want to see some

opinion, have been more than a two goal difference.

However, the mix-up in defence resulting in an own goal to open the scoring in the first half followed by a needless penalty given away in the second half, was indicative of the complete reverse of form of recent weeks.

Congratulations to Nunawading on winning the championship and we would also like to record our appreciation of club refereeing that did not resort to home bias.

The best players, in an otherwise disappointing performance, were: J. Gambini & C. Maltezos.

### UNDER 10 FAWKNER v MORELAND

A win to Moreland 1-0.

Moreland, strengthened by the return of their captain Tony Alessi and Adrian Carpenter, were quick to attack against a stiff breeze. But Fawkner, with fierce tackling and spirited play, came back strongly forcing Moreland into errors.

But, despite conceding several corners, Moreland defence withstood the pressure by playing coolly and confidently.

The second half began with Moreland settling down quickly to take control of the game. Moreland were rarely in danger with all the boys playing well as a team, combining well both in creative attacking and in intelligent covering in defence.

Fawkner was packing their defence but in the 37th minute, following some good teamwork, Steve Palmer broke through the defence placing the ball in the near corner of the net for a fine individual effort.

Well done lads, a really good performance from you all.

Best for Moreland, S. Palmer, A. Ruggiero.

### UNDER 11 MORELAND v KEILOR AUSTRIA

This week Keilor gave us a nasty surprise in the way that they have improved since we met them last.

Surely this was one of the hardest and most ex-

hausting games we have ever had. The spectators loved every minute of it!

In the dying minutes of the first half P. Campbell collected the ball near the half-way line, jinked his way around everyone who came at him and gave the keeper no chance — thus scoring the only goal of the match.

Keilor, can you tell us how you are in bottom position when you can play like that? Thanks again for a fine game.

Best for Moreland, P. Campbell, T. Contessa, T. Sciacovelli.

### UNDER 13 MORELAND A 2, MORELAND B 3

Thank you boys of both teams for one of the most thrilling, action packed games we have seen. What a way to end the season! Two teams

### SOCER QUIZ

Answers to last week's quiz:-

1) A player may be sent off for:-

Violent conduct or serious foul play (and that includes spitting at other players or officials!)

Using foul language or abusive language, persisting in misconduct after receiving a caution.

2) 25 mts. each half must be of the same length.

3) If when the referee drops the ball, a player commits an offence before the ball touches the ground,

a) what action should be taken against the offender

b) how should the game be restarted?

4) On taking a goal kick the player misskicks and the ball goes over the goal line 12 yards from the goal post — what would be the correct decision??

### THIS WEEK'S QUESTIONS

1) At the kick-off when



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S. Melb Hellas	19	10	7	2	39	21	27
F'roy Utd Alex	19	10	5	4	38	25	25
George C.	19	11	3	5	39	27	25
P'ran Slavia	18	9	5	4	25	15	23
F'cray JUST	18	9	4	5	22	19	22
Hakoah	19	8	5	6	19	24	21
Melbourne	19	7	3	9	32	32	17
Juventus	18	6	4	8	21	26	16
Ring. City W	19	6	3	10	20	25	15
Mooroolbark	19	4	6	9	14	26	14
Polonia	18	6	1	11	17	19	13
Keilor Aust	19	2	2	15	13	40	6

## S. L. RESERVES

	P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Agst	Pts
George C.	16	9	4	3	31	16	22
Ring. City W	15	9	3	3	24	14	21
Polonia	18	8	4	6	28	25	20
Mooroolbark	15	8	3	4	26	15	19
F'cray JUST	17	6	6	5	29	14	18
Hakoah	17	6	6	5	31	23	18
S. Melb Hellas	18	5	7	6	21	23	17
Juventus	15	5	5	5	19	17	15
F'roy Utd A	17	4	6	7	23	32	14
P'ran Slavia	12	5	3	4	19	19	13
Keilor Aust	18	4	3	11	25	50	11
Melbourne	18	3	2	13	14	42	8

## 1ST DIVISION METROPOLITAN LEAGUE

	P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Agst	Pts
S'hine City	22	16	4	2	51	9	36
Altona City	22	14	5	3	52	22	33
Preston	22	12	7	3	58	20	31
Keilor City	22	12	3	7	51	33	27
Albion Rovers	21	9	5	7	36	33	23
Green Gully	22	7	6	9	28	32	20
F'ston City	22	7	6	9	32	40	20
St Albans	22	6	6	10	27	34	18
Es'don Lions	22	7	4	11	31	51	18
Western Subs	22	5	8	9	24	46	18
Box Hill	22	3	6	13	19	38	12
Yallourn	21	2	2	17	20	71	6

## 1ST DIVISION METROPOLITAN RESERVES

	P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Agst	Pts
S'hine City	21	15	5	1	50	16	35
Altona City	21	12	6	3	48	18	30
Albion Rovers	20	11	5	4	43	18	27
F'ston City	22	10	6	6	39	28	26
Keilor City	21	10	5	6	40	29	25
St Albans	19	9	5	5	26	18	23
Preston	20	10	2	8	42	34	22
Box Hill	21	6	6	9	38	36	18
Green Gully	21	7	3	11	25	32	17
Yallourn	20	5	2	13	35	66	12
Western Subs	21	2	3	16	22	59	6
Es'don Lions	21	2	2	17	20	74	52

## 2ND DIVISION METROPOLITAN LEAGUE

	P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Agst	Pts
Waverley C.	22	16	2	4	56	25	34
F'tree Gully	22	13	5	4	39	22	31
Croydon C.	22	12	6	4	50	28	30
D'nong C.	20	8	7	5	39	30	23
Princes Park	22	8	6	8	34	36	22
Richmond	22	6	8	8	33	33	20
Springvale	21	4	10	7	27	32	18
N. Carlton	21	6	6	10	29	35	18
Moreland	22	5	7	10	31	39	17
P'ran City	22	6	5	11	30	47	12
R'wood Utd	22	4	4	14	27	52	6

## 2ND DIVISION METROPOLITAN RESERVES

	P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Agst	Pts
Croydon C.	22	19	1	2	67	14	39
Waverley C.	22	17	4	1	63	18	38
F'tree Gully	21	13	4	4	53	20	31
Moreland	22	11	5	6	46	19	27
Newport	22	11	4	7	60	39	26
R'wood Utd	21	8	4	9	30	33	20
P'ran City	22	8	3	11	31	48	19
Springvale	21	7	4	10	27	34	18
Richmond	22	6	5	11	26	35	17
D'nong City	20	5	2	13	25	58	12
Princes Park	22	2	2	18	17	59	6
N. Carlton	21	2	2	17	20	88	6

## 3RD DIVISION METROPOLITAN LEAGUE

	P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Agst	Pts
Brighton	22	14	4	4	43	21	32
Bayswater	22	13	5	4	43	16	31
Es'don City	22	14	3	5	56	34	31
Park Rangers	22	12	6	4	39	25	30
Coburg	22	11	5	6	43	33	27
Eltham	22	9	7	6	43	37	25
Doveton	22	9	4	9	34	31	22
Heidelberg	22	8	3	11	41	43	19
Chelsea	22	7	3	12	20	29	17
C'field City	22	5	2	15	29	51	12
Ballarat	22	2	5	15	27	62	9
Corio	22	2	2	15	17	53	9

## 3RD DIVISION METROPOLITAN RESERVES

	P.	W.	D.	L.	For	Agst	Pts



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**JUNIOR LEAGUE**

DANDENONGS LEAGUES

2nd September, 1974

UNDER 7

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
R'wood C. A	19	18	1	0	42	4	37
Doncaster	18	13	3	2	40	5	29
Clayton	17	13	0	4	31	10	26
Croydon	18	11	2	5	28	13	24
Seaford	18	10	0	8	26	27	20
N'wading	16	8	2	6	20	15	18
Overport	18	7	2	9	15	17	16
Bayswater	16	5	5	6	21	12	15
Doveton	18	4	3	11	6	32	11
Peninsula	19	3	2	14	3	29	8
R'wood C. B	17	3	2	12	1	41	8
Bayswater B	18	0	0	18	0	28	0

UNDER 8

D'caster A	19	16	2	1	77	2	34
Croydon	19	16	2	1	64	8	34
R'wd City A	19	13	4	2	46	9	30
Bayswater	17	13	1	3	50	10	27
N'wading	17	11	2	4	34	23	24
M'bark	19	9	0	10	29	21	18
D'caster B	19	7	2	10	17	51	16
Waverley	19	6	2	11	24	34	14
Box Hill	18	5	2	11	10	44	12
Bayswater B	17	2	1	14	4	69	5
R'wood C. B	18	0	0	18	0	28	0
Rosanna	19	1	0	18	0	24	2

UNDER 9

Croydon	17	16	0	1	62	7	32
R'wood C. A	18	12	4	2	45	9	28
Bayswater	16	12	1	3	49	10	25
N'wading	17	11	2	4	34	23	24
Mooroobark	18	9	0	9	28	19	18
Doncaster B	18	7	1	10	17	51	15
Waverley	18	6	2	10	24	33	14
Box Hill	17	5	1	11	10	44	11
Bayswater B	17	2	1	14	4	69	5
R'wood C. B	17	2	0	15	5	59	4
Rosanna	18	1	0	17	2	23	2

UNDER 10

N'wading A	18	15	2	1	69	2	32
Croydon	16	15	0	1	59	13	30
Waverley	17	11	3	3	44	9	25
Box Hill	17	11	3	3	50	12	25
Doncaster	17	9	3	5	23	15	21
R'wood C.	16	10	0	6	30	16	20
Bayswater	17	7	3	7	24	18	17
Mooroobark	15	6	2	7	19	24	14
N'wading	17	4	0	13	21	39	8
Monbulk	16	2	0	14	4	97	4
Box Hill B	17	1	0	16	1	32	1

UNDER 11 EAST

N'wading	19	19	0	0	130	2	38
Waverley	17	13	1	3	34	19	27
F.T. Gully	19	9	4	6	35	33	22
Clayton	17	9	3	5	25	16	21
Monbulk	16	5	1	10	20	62	11
Dandy C.	18	4	0	14	12	59	8
Dandy Nth	16	3	1	12	16	39	7
Doncaster	18	2	2	14	15	57	6

UNDER 11 WEST

Waverley	17	15	1	1	71	7	31
N'wading	17	12	4	1	64	10	28
Box Hill	16	12	1	3	50	8	25
Bayswater	15	12	0	3	55	15	24
Doncaster	16	7	4	5	37	20	18
R'wood C.	17	5	3	9	18	48	13
R'wood Utd	17	3	4	9	10	35	10
Croydon	17	3	3	11	22	47	9
F.T. Gully	16	3	3	10	12	46	9
Bayswater B	15	0	1	14	2	70	1

UNDER 11 EAST

N'wading	18	18	0	0	123	2	36
Waverley	16	13	0	3	33	18	26
Clayton	16	9	2	5	24	15	20
F.T. Gully	18	8	4	6	33	32	20
Monbulk	15	5	1	9	20	55	11
Doncaster	17	2	2	13	14	55	6
Dandy City	17	3	0	14	10	58	6

UNDER 11 WEST

Waverley	16	14	1	1	67	6	29
N'wading	16	11	4	1	52	10	26
Bayswater	14	12	0	2	54	11	24
Box Hill	15	11	1	3	44	8	23
Doncaster	15	7	3	5	36	19	17
R'wood C.	17	6	1	10	27	49	13
R'wood Utd	17	5	0	12	26	42	10
Mooroobark	16	3	3	10	14	39	9
Croydon	17	3	2	12	27	44	8
Mitcham	17	0	1	16	0	119	1

UNDER 12 EAST

Waverley	16	16	0	0	85	5
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# JUNIOR LEAGUE CONTINUED

Eric Staples (2) Noel Kelly (2) Bernard Scholte and Steven Davidson were the scorers for United who as expected were far too strong for the Grammar school team.

## UNDER 13

Rosanna Wasps 0 v Essendon Lions 1.

The enthusiasm of the Lions team carried them to victory against a Wasps side that made it difficult for themselves by failing to clear the ball quickly enough from defence. Hamis Stephen played well in goal, but most Rosanna players were down on normal form.

## UNDER 15

Waverley 0 v Rosanna

Once again the side played consistent soccer and ran out with a well deserved win. Whether they end up first, second or third in the league, they deserve credit for a great season. Jim Sampson (3) and Steven Brown Scored the goals.

## WOMENS SOCCER CONT.

ried the NSW back-line. Unfortunately for Josie she got kicked in the ankle during the second half, and the injury was so painful that she too had to be rushed to hospital. X-ray results fortunately did not uphold the original suspicion of a fracture. As it turned out it was "only" a broken vein. The result was that Josie missed the next two games.

## VICTORIA HONORED FOR THE TOP EFFORT

As a surprise came the announcement at the presentation after the conclusion of the games at Centennial Park that a special trophy had been awarded to the Victorian team for the "Most Wonderful Effort". And this statement which was engraved on the trophy was no exaggeration. The award was well and truly deserved.

Another surprise was a speech by National Soccer coach, Rale Rasic, who had attended all matches. Rasic spoke particularly highly of the Victorian team and singled out Greensborough striker Shona Bass for her extreme fitness.

A fitting gesture was the presentation of an Australian badge to the coaches of the five State teams. As Rasic mentioned quite rightly coaches are mostly forgotten when it comes to presentations. They are only remembered when their team does not quite live up to expectations.

Top honours went to the New South Wales secretary Pat O'Connor who was responsible for organising these first ever women's interstate championships. Pat who also featured in the New South Wales team as the top player, was presented by Rale Rasic with an Australian Track Suit, a most memorable one. It was Rasic's first ever track suit he received when first taking on the national team.

An overwhelmed Pat couldn't hold back her tears. "If Rale had offered me the choice of a million dollars or the track suit, I would have taken the track suit," an extremely happy Pat said afterwards.

PICTURED here is the present Under 13 team of the Peninsula Junior Soccer Club, Frankston (taken at break-up celebrations 1973 when Under 12).

This team has been virtually the same since its inception as Under 9 in 1970 and coach Barry Cuttler has been in charge since the beginning. Barry, born in London, has been in Australia 10 years. He played with Whalya Wanderers (S.A.) for two years and then with Frankston Pines for three years. He is also a qualified referee.

Manager Bill Thomas has also been with the team for five years. Originally from Birmingham, Bill is a hard working member of the club as is Keith Hunter, assistant coach. Keith, Australian by birth, came into the game with his sons and is now a qualified coach. This year he is in charge of Peninsula Under 10.

This team has been League runner up three times and won the Southern Region Cup in 1973.

Left to right back row: Manager Bill Thomas; M. Owen, D. Gooch (State rep. 73-74), D. Hanna, Keith Hunter (Asst Coach), P. Castell (region rep. 72-73), A. Stevens (region rep. 73-74), J. Hunter (State rep. 72-73, region rep. 73-74), K. Allis, Barry Cuttler (Coach).

Front row left to right: R. Ward, S. Scott, I. Thomas, K. Iles, B. Schloss, G. Cuttler. All three officials here are members of the Frankston and Peninsula Junior Soccer Coaches Association and their families are all hard workers for and avid supporters of the Peninsula Junior Soccer Club.



## SYDNEY REPORT FROM P.10

By JACK DANIELS

A DRESS rehearsal for the 1974 Sydney Grand Final could well be seen in the major semi-final between Apia and Hakoah at the Sydney Sports Ground on Sunday.

Apia as Ampol Cup winners and Hakoah as premiership winners are undisputedly Sydney's two best football teams.

They both have the players, the class, the method, and the fitness to make this clash on the Wembley-like surface of the Sports Ground one of the most exciting spectacles seen in Sydney Football this year.

Earlier in the season Apia defeated Hakoah 1-0 in the Ampol Cup but since then Hakoah reversed the decision by winning 2-1 and 1-0 in

the competition.

Every meeting between the two has been an action packed affair with the result in doubt until the final whistle.

The result in Sunday's match will have much to do with the tactics of the relative coaches David MacLaren of Hakoah and Tom Anderson of Apia.

Both are canny Scots and have proved by results on the field to be two of the best in the business.

Although close friends in private life these two continually strive to

come out on top.

MacLaren rebuilt his Hakoah team two years ago and since then it has welded into a very formidable formation.

Anderson, on the other hand, has completely rebuilt the Apia team this season, and he earlier stated that it would be at least two years before it reached its peak.

However, things have gone very sweetly for the Apia boss and his former Victorians — there are six in Apia's team — John Kennedy, Bobby McGinn, Jimmy Rooney, Billy Rogers, John Wallace, and Peter Ollerton.

Both are canny Scots and have proved by results on the field to be two of the best in the business.

Anderson himself of course is a former Victorian having played with South Melbourne Hellas

in their boom years of the early sixties.

Both Anderson and MacLaren are committed to attacking football and this will ensure that there will be no dull ultra defensive play in the game.

Man for man the Apia team have the edge with much more individual brilliance in their ranks.

In goal both Apia's John Kennedy and Hakoah's Martin Coe are on a par.

The Hakoah defence well marshalled by for Australian internationals Alan Marnoch and John Watkiss looks the stronger.

At times Apia tend to leave one or two gaps when their brilliant overlapping fullbacks Bobby McGinn and Kenny Jenkins go on the raiding

sorties.

However, in midfield the loser will play to decide the other finalist.

The game will be close but the extra class and fighting spirit of Apia could well take them through.

Likely teams for this week's semi-final:

HAKOAH: M. Coe, R. Fekete, A. Marnoch, J. Watkiss, J. Mackay, A. Muniz, J. Watson, J. Fletcher, T. Morrow, M. Barnes.

Coach: David MacLaren.

APIA: J. Kennedy, B. McGinn, J. McGhee, J. Russell, K. Jenkins, J. Wallace, B. Rogers, J. Rooney, G. Blues, P. Ollerton, T. Butler.

Coach: Tom Anderson.

Sunday, 8th September, 1974

### MORELAND UNDER 15'S

#### MORELAND v BAYSWATER 0-2

THIS week Moreland went to Bayswater to play their second last league game of the season. The condition of the ground was that poor that I wouldn't let football to be played let alone soccer.

In the first half Moreland played high standard soccer with the defence combining well. Michael Bartolo played a game that I think some senior players can learn a few pointers.

Half-time scores 0-0.

In the second half Moreland tried very hard as far as playing soccer but the conditions didn't allow it to happen.

Bayswater scored 2 goals in a matter of 5 minutes. I'm not making excuses but you can't play soccer in a ground where in places water was three inches deep.

(IF WE HAD WEBBED FEET WE WOULD HAVE KILLED 'EM!!)

#### MORELAND MEADOWS MATCH REPORTS

##### PLAYED 25-8-74

##### UNDER 9

##### MORELAND v GREENSBOROUGH

at Moreland

A win to Moreland 3-0.

Today we scored our first home win of the season but gave the poorest display for several weeks. In recent games the boys have played 100% better and lost! Most of the boys, as individuals played very well but we were disappointed in the lack of team work.

Greensborough have improved since we last met and it was a very sporting match. Our goals were scored by D. Pace (2) & D. Sultana.

fence, and S. Ridout (No. 2) played a cool determined game.

#### UNDER 11 MORELAND 2, GREENSBOROUGH 0

This week we were treated to a full 50 mts. of exciting soccer. Two evenly matched teams played a game that puts some of the State League clubs to shame.

In the 17th minute P. Campbell put Moreland ahead with a 'billiard shot' (in off the green). Despite a lot of pressure, 'Spider' Montalto kept his slate clean with some fine saves.

The second half was a repeat of the first except that it was the 20th minute before T. Contessa popped up in time to pop in our second goal.

Once again, G. Mandragona made me a nervous wreck with his miss kicks in the back line but more than made up for it with ones he did connect with. I make it a policy not to pick the best for the opposition but there was one today who got my ginger-up.

Best for Moreland — P. Campbell, G. Stack, G. Mandragona.

#### UNDER 10 ELTHAM v MORELAND

A win to Eltham 1-0.

A well balanced match played in ideal conditions for a change. This week we were again forced to make positional changes and all the boys played well. Our weakness lay in the centre-forward area — we were out of position in almost every attacking movement and we also lost several chances when these players were caught off-side.

The defence was steady and constructive, the mid-field and left wing play was good. It was a pity that the game had to be decided by a penalty for otherwise a draw would have been a fair result. The penalty kick was beautifully placed and gave no chance at all to our keeper.

Best for Moreland — L. Leane (No. 11) who worked very hard in attack and helping in de-

side forced the equaliser. A very good effort by both teams and well done lads — but watch those mistakes.

Again we had 11 triers so we are not picking out any particular players.

#### UNDER 13B

##### MORELAND MEADOWS v ESSENDON G.S.

A win to Moreland 4-1.

A marvellous day for soccer without the wind of previous weeks.

A very fair game and both teams appreciated the high standard of refereeing by P. Contessa who allowed the play to 'flow-on'.

The match was scoreless at half time but in the second half when our first goals came the Grammar school side weakened.

Goal scorers for Moreland — J. Milicevic, T. Campbell (2), & G. Paola.

Best players for Moreland — T. Contessa, G. Paola & J. Milicevic.

A special note to all those boys we haven't mentioned, this was a very good team effort — it's not necessarily star players that win matches but TEAMWORK.

#### UNDER 15 MORELAND MEADOWS v CROYDON

A draw 0-0.

A repeat performance of the last few weeks. Moreland has proved that they could have been a threat for the flag.

Croydon had most of the play in the first half but R. Stafraze, R. Di Danto & Martin Borg held the defence.

In the second half it was the complete reverse. The Moreland fitness was superior to Croydon and enjoyed a full 35 minutes of attacking.

## WOMEN'S SOCCER

By FRED HABBE

### VICS STEAL THE SHOW

DESPITE failing to win a game, despite crippling injuries, despite inexperience in big time soccer, Victoria can be proud to have been represented by a squad that gave its best, that came mighty close in upsetting the highly favoured opposition and that won the hearts of spectators and fellow competitors alike.

For the statistics Victoria lost three and drew one of its four matches in the interstate series held in Sydney last week.

The opening match against Queensland finished in a narrow 2-1 defeat although the Victorian girls looked like taking off the points.

Dandenong girl Josie Jansen shot Victoria in front when she coolly placed the ball into the corner of the goal during a goal-mouth melee.

The inadequate preparation of the side showed when Queensland scored twice due to defensive misunderstandings to take the match.

A highly contributing factor to the unlucky defeat was Hazel Donovan's injury that never allowed the key midfielder to get into the game. Hazel tore a stomach muscle and had to sit out the next two games. Melton's ace, Jeannette Melvin sustained a knee injury which caused her to miss the rest of the series.

### CRIPPLING INJURIES

The following night Victoria faced the title favourites New South Wales, again at the Bankstown Soccer Centre under floodlight. Holding out against the mighty strong opposition for the first 15 minutes, Victorian resistance was broken when NSW Scot-

good side to play against. Hope we meet again Croydon.

tish sharpshooter Ann Hamilton opened the scoring.

Without Hazel Donovan and Jeannette Melvin, the Vics couldn't match the superior skill of the experienced host team, who had just too many guns.

A heavily bleeding eyebrow cut sustained by sweeper Kay Morley after a head collision with a NSW forward proved to be a morale shattering blow to the Victorian team. Kay had to be rushed to Bankstown hospital.

The match finished with the disastrous result of six goals to one to New South Wales. Victoria's goal resulted from an NSW own goal.

The Victorian girls fought out the match courageously and particular the youngsters in the side impressed. The two fullbacks, Karen "Tiger" Hume and Anna Jutrista, both only 14 years old, played very impressively and could not be blamed for the defeat. The two Greensborough girls, Shona Bass in the forward-line and Andrea Martin in defence deserved full marks.

Josie Jansen surprised with her enormous speed and more than once wor-

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